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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### The Right Course

FEW readers were aware of the side drama to the Hungarian crisis which was being played on the ticker tapes of news agencies in the early hours of yesterday morning. It appeared at one stage as if an Anglo-American split had developed on whether or not the intervention of Soviet forces in the revolt and the Budapest "massacre of the innocents" should be brought before the Security Council. The proposal was apparently instigated by Britain and initially opposed by America, and the Washington cables officially denying any decision almost up to the time of the Big Three announcement made depressing reading.

It transpired that the dispute was in fact over whether the events in Hungary should be referred to the Security Council or the United Nations Assembly. Finally, and properly, America's apparent reluctance to go to the Security Council stemmed from a fear that the Soviet veto might jeopardise any action initiated by the West.

But if the validity of this fear is accepted, is there not the danger in taking an urgent case of this kind to the Assembly, that it will become bogged down in tiresome debate and the sense of emergency lost completely—to say nothing of allowing the bloodbath to continue unceasingly? Will not all present insist on their right to speak to condemn in all good faith the Soviet intervention? Desirable as the prospect may be of the nations of the world heaping opprobrium on this callous slaughter, humanitarian grounds alone demanded speedier action. They also appear to have been partly successful.

Apart from this there is the danger, in bypassing the Security Council, that it would strike a crippling blow at its authority and prestige which are still quite considerable. Admittedly the veto hampers its usefulness, but that is no reason why the Council should be consigned to mothballs when the impact of a near unanimous vote—vetoed—could achieve, in effect, almost as much as a straight majority without the veto.

### Singapore Riots

THE recent most disturbing events in Singapore underline forcefully why Tengku Abdul Rahman wants no political ties between it and the Federation of Malaya. The British Government reaction to the severe rioting of the last few days and the subsequent arrest of 234 left-wing union leaders may be guessed: that despite the courage and determination of Mr Lim Yew-hock, Singapore's Chief Secretary, no further changes in the Colony's constitution can be permitted for the present.

Most ominous, indeed, were the disclosures made by Mr Lim of union leaders' designs and their exploitation of the Communist-inspired riots. The obvious anarchy implied in the seized documents may be read as a planned attempt to institute by force what would certainly be an unpopular course of events for the majority of the Colony. At this point the apparent success of the Government in bringing the situation under control is overshadowed by what may develop in the "intense political phase" now officially expected. The threat of recurrent riots is bad enough—and if the Government pursues its attempts to crush Communist influence in the Colony, this may be expected—but at the first sign of any more drastic outbreak the British Government may have to consider whether the situation warrants suspension of the Colony's constitution, at least until the danger of detonation is removed.

# RUSSIAN TROOPS MOVING OUT

## Begin To Withdraw From Budapest

London, Oct. 28. Soviet troops started to withdraw from Budapest tonight the Hungarian news agency reported in a despatch picked up in London.

The agency, quoting from an editorial which is to appear in tomorrow's issue of the Hungarian newspaper Szabad Nep, said:

"The withdrawal of Soviet troops from Budapest began on the evening of October 28, as Imre Nagy (the Hungarian Prime Minister) told the country: That is the first step towards their return to their bases and later towards their final evacuation from the national territory."

As Mr Nagy was announcing the early withdrawal of Soviet forces from Budapest Soviet tanks attacked the last two strongholds of Hungarian nationalists in the city.

The strongholds were in the Kilian barracks in houses where several thousand Hungarian soldiers, students and workers were holding out.

## CINEMA BESIEGED

Tanks and guns are still guarding parliament building and bridges across the Danube.

Earlier today the Nationalists withdrew to their barracks from a besieged and burning cinema, leaving 100 Soviet and Hungarian army dead outside.

Outside Budapest the Nationalists are reported strongest in the west and north. The Nationalists also control other areas throughout the country, including three radio stations.

Two of these, Geyer and Miskolc, tonight announced acceptance of Mr Nagy's programme.

Miskolc stipulated that Erno Gero, ousted Secretary of the Communist Party, and his supporters should be arrested and tried for "betrayal of the Hungarian national cause."

Informed sources say tomorrow the newspaper Szabad Nep will attack an article in the Soviet Communist newspaper Pravda "accusing Fascists, mainly ex-army officers of the old regime" of organizing the revolution.

Szabad Nep will accuse Pravda of interfering in Hungarian internal affairs, the sources said.

## TROOPS MOVING IN?

In New York, Sir Pierson Dixon, the British delegate, told an urgently called meeting of the United Nations Security Council tonight that "two very strong Soviet armoured units" were reported to have crossed into Hungary from Rumania early today and to be moving fast in the direction of Budapest.

Speaking shortly after the Council had decided, over bitter Soviet objections, to place on its agenda an item on "the situation in Hungary," Sir Pierson charged outright that "what we see in the State of Hungary is the use of the armed might of the Soviet Union against the population of that sovereign State."

The British delegate said that according to news which had just reached him, "two very strong Soviet armoured units and airforce ground troops entered the Debrecen area of Hungary from Rumania, crossing at three points."

"The units were reported to be moving fast in the direction of Budapest," he declared.

## INVITES A DENIAL

"I am sure that the Council will share my profound hope that this news is not true. I hope to hear an authoritative denial from the Soviet representative that forces of his country are moving from outside against the Sovereign state of Hungary."

"For, if there is no such denial, then it is clear that the situation with which the Council is confronted is even graver than it was when our United States and French colleagues and I, 24 hours ago, asked for a meeting of the Council to consider the situation in Hungary.—Reuter.

## CZECH TROOPS MASS

Rajka, Hungary, Oct. 28. Soviet officers are in command of Czechoslovak troops who are dug in along the Czechoslovak-Hungarian frontier, Hungarian frontier guards here said today.

This is the first indication that there are Soviet troops stationed in Czechoslovakia at all. The frontier guards told a Reuter's correspondent today that they feared almost the whole of western Hungary with the revolutionary forces, that the Czechoslovak troops with tanks and heavy artillery had moved into positions about 300 metres behind the barbed wire marking the frontier. The frontier guards said they had observed the Soviet officers through binoculars. They were in charge of digging-in operations.—Reuter.

## SECURITY COUNCIL TO DEBATE HUNGARIAN SITUATION DESPITE SOVIET OPPOSITION

New York, Oct. 28. The Security Council tonight decided, over bitter Soviet protests, to place on its agenda an item on "the situation in Hungary," called for by the Western Big Three powers.

The Soviet Union was the only country opposing the adoption of the agenda. Yugoslavia abstained, maintaining that while they were not in favour of interfering in Hungarian affairs, they opposed the use of foreign troops there.

The Hungarian delegate was then invited to take his place at the Council table.

### Turned Down

The United States delegate, Mr Henry Cabot Lodge, had hardly taken the floor after the vote when Mr Sobolev intervened on a point of order.

The Soviet delegate said he wanted to propose a motion to obtain three or four days' postponement to all Council members to obtain all the information in relation to the question.

This motion was rejected by nine votes against, to only one for (the Soviet Union) with Yugoslavia abstaining.

Mr Arkady Sobolev, the Soviet delegate, in a tirade against the West that recalled the worst days of the "cold war," accused the United States of inciting "criminal Fascist elements" to overthrow the legitimate democratic regime in Hungary.

The emergency Sunday session which attracted hundreds of people to the public gallery and crowds of American-Hungarian demonstrators outside the UN building, had barely started when the Soviet Union made a bid to strangle the debate at birth.

In a procedural wrangle, Mr Sobolev challenged first the right of the Council's President, M. Bernard Cornu-Gentile of France, to call a meeting without consulting his fellow members, and then the Council's right to include the Hungarian item on its agenda.

The Council, then obliged to vote on the adoption of the agenda itself before being able to get down to the real debate, heard the Soviet delegate contest bitterly its competence to discuss what he called the domestic affairs of a sovereign state.

His speech, which the President declared had far exceeded the scope of the matter under consideration, castigated all three Western powers for their "unprecedented attempt to afford the United Nations protection to reactionary elements in Hungary which have come out against the great democratic achievements of the Hungarian working people."

### Dixon Retaliates

The British delegate, Sir Pierson Dixon, retaliated with a categorical denial of the motives imputed by Mr Sobolev to the Western powers.

He declared that the situation in Hungary was clearly a matter of international concern. "Nothing can hide the fact," Sir Pierson declared, "that foreign troops have intervened on a massive scale in Hungary."

"Such an action is subversive of the whole foundation on

which the United Nations is built." The Council could not stand idle in the face of the situation, the British delegate added.

### People's Right

Sir Pierson said that the Hungarian people last week had felt that the moment had come when at long last they should, and could, assert their rights as a sovereign people. That was the right to which they had long been entitled under the Hungarian peace treaty. Yet, the citizens of Budapest had been violently repressed by the forces of a foreign power, he added.

As signatories of the peace treaty between Hungary and the allied powers, Britain had a clear responsibility to express its deep concern, he said. The use of foreign armed forces to restrain the peoples of another country in their domestic struggle for political freedom created a "situation fraught with danger to the community of nations, and therefore a situation of which this Council clearly should take cognisance under article 34 of the charter."—Reuter.

## 33 Rescued From Blazing Freighter On Way To HK

American warships early this morning rescued 33 persons aboard the Norwegian freighter *Ala* when the ship caught on fire 80 miles from Hongkong.

A below-decks explosion ignited a fuel-fed blaze and forced the crew to take to the lifeboats.

Four American destroyers rescued all aboard.

One fireman suffered burns on both arms, but he is not considered to be in a serious condition.

According to the crew, which arrived in Hongkong mid-morning today aboard the USS *Thomason*, the ship was 50 miles off Hongkong when the explosion occurred in the fore-room at 8.50 a.m. Apparently a much oil was put in the forebox causing a flashback which ignited the fuel.

### FAMILY ABOARD

Captain T. Skogen ordered the ship to be abandoned at 4.30 a.m. because the water pumps were not working and the crew were unable to control the flames which raged below decks.

Among the persons aboard were the skipper's wife, daughter and son, and two mess girls, all of whom were Europeans.

At 5 a.m., the US Destroyer Division 71, consisting of the destroyers *Thomason*, *Bole*, *Buck* and *Lorberg*, reached the scene.

The *Bole* picked up persons in one lifeboat, and the *Thomason* rescued others in a lifeboat. All were transferred to the *Thomason*.

According to the US Navy, the *Ala* is still afloat with three destroyers trying to save her.

The fire boat, *Alexander Grantham*, has been rushed to the scene.

The total number of people aboard the *Ala* was 33, including 29 men and four women.

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## Curfew Imposed

Damascus, Oct. 28. A curfew was imposed at Aleppo from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m., local time tonight.

At least one person was killed and 29 injured during incidents in Aleppo today. A state of siege was proclaimed in the town this afternoon.

The incidents occurred in connection with the strike called by the "Arab Peoples Congress" in protest against the arrest last week of five leaders of the Algerian National Liberation Front by the French authorities. —France-Press.

## IKE: A CLEAN BILL OF HEALTH

Washington, Oct. 28. A panel of eight doctors reported today that President Eisenhower gave every appearance of being in excellent health with no signs of trouble as a result of his heart attack in 1955 or his major stomach operation this year.

This cleared the way for President Eisenhower to wind up in the next ten days his campaign for another four-year term in the White House.

## Polish Govt Reinstates Cardinal Wyszynski

Warsaw, Oct. 28. Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski has returned to Warsaw and to his office as Primate of Poland. It was officially announced here tonight.

The Polish press agency said it had been decided to set up in the near future a joint commission of the Government and church to settle outstanding problems between them.

This decision was taken during talks between the Cardinal and representatives of the government and the United Workers (Communist) Party, the agency added.

The 55-year-old primate was arrested by the Communist authorities in September 1952, and deprived of his office for "abusing his authority and engaging in activities against the State."

Although never brought to trial, he was held in police custody for more than two years until his banishment to a monastery near Przemyśl, in the southeast corner of Poland.

A wave of protests swept the Western world following his arrest and the Vatican excommunicated all those concerned with it.—Reuter.

## "GO EASY" CALL TO BEN GURION

Washington, Oct. 28. President Eisenhower today called on the Israeli Prime Minister, Mr David Ben Gurion to avoid doing anything "which would endanger the peace."

Mr Eisenhower said he had ordered talks immediately with Britain and France on the Middle East situation.

The President made the appeal after receiving reports that Israeli mobilisation was "almost complete."

A statement on Mr Eisenhower's behalf was issued after he conferred at Walter Reed Army Medical Centre with Mr Herbert Hoover, the Under-Secretary of State.

Mr Eisenhower was in hospital for a pre-election medical check-up. Mr Hoover deputised for Mr John Foster Dulles, who is in Texas.

Mr Eisenhower said he sent a message yesterday to Mr Ben Gurion after meeting Mr Dulles, who is flying back from Dallas, where he made a speech last night.

"Get Out" Request  
Washington, Oct. 28. The United States State Department announced tonight that it has asked citizens to leave the Middle East if their presence there was not absolutely necessary.—France-Press.

## Reservists Fail To Report

Southampton, Oct. 28. A total of 380 Suez Canal reservists, returning to West Germany after seven days' special home leave, failed to report here tonight when the 22.45-hr. "troopship" *Asturias* sailed for Rotterdam.

This was nearly double the number who failed to report when a first batch finished their leave last week.

Only 915 of the 1,295 men recalled to the army because of the Suez Canal emergency, were on board tonight when the *Asturias* sailed.

But a War Office spokesman said later that about 60 men had arrived in London too late to catch the train for Southampton and would be sent back tomorrow.—China Mail Special.

## Granted Leave

Warsaw, Oct. 28. Constantin Rokossovski, Polish Defence Minister, was today granted leave "theoretically for his personal convenience."

France-Press.

## Solidarity Affirmed

Rabat, Oct. 28. The new Government of Morocco today re-affirmed the solidarity of the Moroccan people with the people of Algeria in their "struggle for freedom."—France-Press.

## AVOID RACIAL CLASHES

### PLEADS TUNKU RAHMAN

Singapore, Oct. 28. Malaya's Chief Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman tonight appealed to Malays in Singapore to avoid racial clashes "at all costs."

He warned that rioters might switch their tactics from clashing with the government to clashes involving communities. He said "all the right-minded and responsible people" of Singapore must rally to the support of Mr Lim Yew-hock (the Chief Minister).

At midnight, Radio Malaya in its last transmission for the day reported that Singapore was still "all quiet."

No incidents had been reported since early in the day, but 164 people had been arrested for curfew breaking. Police opened fire only once. There were no casualties except for two policemen injured in a traffic accident.—Reuter.

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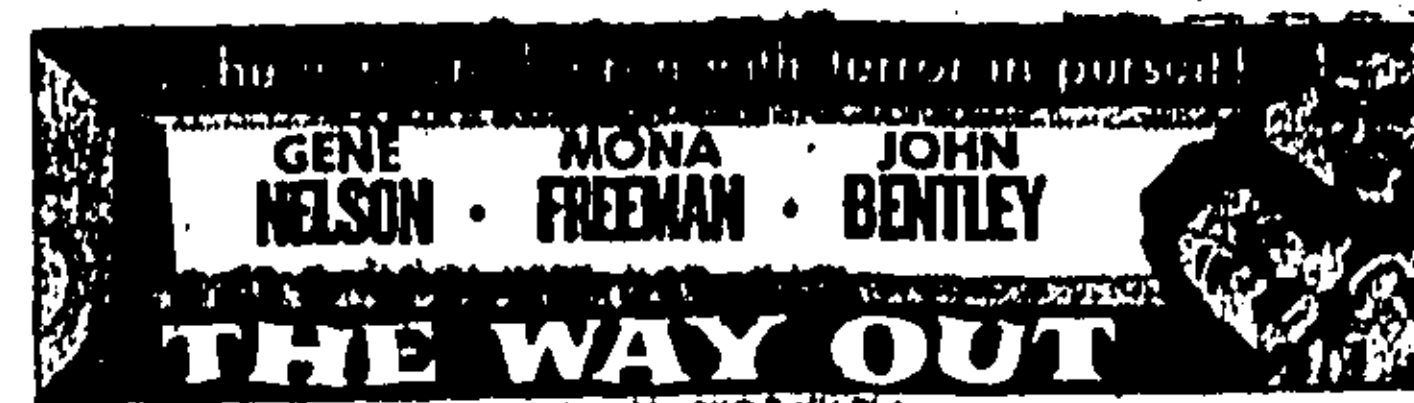


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**YUGOSLAV, RUMANIAN ACCORD**

Brioni, Oct. 28. Yugoslav and Rumanian wound up their talks here last night with a joint communique lauding their present relations and calling for friendly co-operation in the future. The communique was released today.

The Yugoslav delegation was headed by Marshal Tito and the Rumanian one by Communist party chief, Gheorgiu Dej, who left Pola for Bucharest today after a nine-day visit in Yugoslavia.

**EQUAL RIGHTS**

The Government communique said Yugoslav-Rumanian relations were based on sovereignty, territorial integrity, equal rights, mutual respect and non-interference in the affairs of others. A parallel party communique said inter-party relations must be based on frankness, equal rights, comradely criticism and non-interference in the affairs of others.

The Government communique said the United Nations General Assembly at its meeting next month should discuss outstanding international problems, including China's "legal right" to United Nations membership. — France-Press.

**Lepers Are Being Cured**

Lagos, Oct. 28. The declining scourge of leprosy in Nigeria is reflected in figures issued for the Iru Lepers Colony in Calabar Province, in south-east Nigeria which show that at the end of June there were 1,000 lepers in the colony as against 3,000 six years ago. During the first half of the year 474 lepers were declared symptom free.

It is estimated that there are still around 100,000 lepers in the Northern Region but 60,000 are now undergoing treatment with modern drugs with reasonable chance of complete cure. — China Mail Special.

**Getting On In Years**

Moscow, Oct. 28. Abdulla Magomedov, of Daghestan, North Caucasus, who has a daily swim, whatever the weather, and became a father at the age of 85—his wife was over 60—has celebrated his 117 birthday, according to Tass.

Tass also told of Abay Magomedov, aged 120, who has 21 grandchildren, worked until recently on a Daghestan collective farm, and still cooks, launders and sews.

Also in the area is Gasan Primov, aged 104, who has never been ill and has worked all his life, it said.

But Varsalaki Maksudova claims the record for the district. She is 125 and still sees and hears well, Tass added. (In May, a peasant named Egor Korov, was reported to be 155, and the oldest man in the Soviet Union.) — China Mail Special.

**CHURCHILL BACK HOME**

London, Oct. 28. Sir Winston Churchill arrived here tonight by air from Nice, in the South of France, where he had been on holiday.

He was accompanied by Lady Churchill, who flew out to join him after he had caught a chill. — Reuter.

**Gunmen Kill Cuban MI5 Chief**

Havana, Oct. 28. UNIDENTIFIED gunmen shot and killed Cuba's chief of Army Intelligence and wounded three members of his party at a night club early today.

Witnesses said at least two men—one tall and slim, with protruding eyes, wearing a grey suit and another described

**UK Cabinet Reshuffle**

In a Cabinet reshuffle on October 19, Mr Anthony Head, the War Minister, was promoted to Minister of Defence, and Mr John Hare, Minister of State at the Colonial Office, succeeded him at the War Office. Picture shows Mr Head (left) leaving the War Office with Mr Hare. — Central Press Photo.

**Suez Agreement Long Way Off**

London, Oct. 28. No progress has been made toward resumption of contact with Egypt on the Suez question since the end of the Security Council debate early this month, according to British diplomatic sources here.

These sources today repeated the often stated view of British ministers that it is now up to Egypt to make comprehensive proposals for a settlement and that none have been made.

**Discounted**

British officials now consequently discount the possibility of direct talks with Egypt at Geneva before the start of the General Assembly of the United Nations on November 12. If further talks are held, they are likely to take place during the Assembly session, it is thought here.

According to usually well informed quarters here, the decision to stand firm on the 16-nation control plan—agreed in London—as a basis for settlement, unless an alternative proposal with equally effective guarantees is submitted by Egypt, was confirmed during the brief Anglo-French consultation last Tuesday.

M. Pineau commented to reporters that evening that the Indian plan for co-operation between the Egyptian Suez Authority and the Suez Canal Users' Association was "too vague."

**Possible Sign**

So far the British expectation that Egypt might put forward an amended version of the plan, officially published from Delhi this week as a basis for new talks, has not materialized. The return this weekend to Egypt, Mr. Ali Jawad Juhayr, for consultations on the Suez question was noted here as a possible sign that work on an amended form of the Indian plan as a basis for submission to Britain and France might be in progress. — China Mail Special.

**WIDESPREAD STRIKE IN ALGERIA****Fomented By Egyptians, Say French****SPORADIC INCIDENTS**

Algiers, Oct. 28.

A Moslem general strike which French sources charged was triggered by Radio Cairo broadcasts blotted out all activity in wide stretches of Algeria today.

The strike was called to protest France's seizure on Monday of five Algerian rebel chieftains as they were en route to Tunis for peace talks with Sultan Mohammed Ben Youssef and Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba.

It crippled communications and transport, shut down business activities in most areas of Algeria and left usually teeming streets abandoned and ghostly.

**Flying Squads**

In Constantine, Nationalist flying squads were reported roving through the city in taxicabs forcing would-be Moslem strike breakers to close their shops.

In Bone, Moslem domestic servants told their French employers they would be "executed" if they reported for work today.

In Tizi Ouzou, troop columns blocked off the only three bakeries in town that remained open.

Algiers itself was the only major Algerian city not left in a state of quasi-paralysis by the strike. Here, dock workers reported to their wharves as scheduled, buses and trains were running and about 65 per cent of the city's Moslem shops open. French officials charged the strike was fomented by Radio Cairo and Radio Damascus broadcasts beamed into Algeria.

**Only Lukewarm**

They claimed the strike call at first only got lukewarm support from the Fallahia chiefs in the country.

In military actions today, the French Army revealed that 32 Frenchmen, including two officers, were killed and 16 wounded in an ambush near Tabet, 34 miles southeast of here.

Forty rebels were cut down in a light near Guenest, 100 miles east of here. Across the border in Tunisia, bitter French troops found the bodies of three French soldiers missing since yesterday, their throats sliced open.

Two others were found near Mareth just east of the Algerian border.

Both French and Tunisian sources said the blockades that sprang up along the Algerian border yesterday to hamper French troops movements had disappeared.

**Bitter Incidents**

They accounted for at least five French dead and 24 wounded in a long day of sporadic bitter incidents.

In Algeria's other neighbour, Morocco, relative quiet was reported today after four days of on-again-off-again anti-French rioting that cost the lives of at least 65 Europeans.

The French High Command today issued a statement on the road-block incidents in Tunisia yesterday, stating that because of the moderation of the French troops' casualties were very light.

The statement said that in several parts of the country Tunisians had set up road-blocks on several roads. French troops could have broken through but this would have entailed the use of arms and as a consequence, casualties would have been high.

**Several Missing**

Tunisian troops, said the statement, were present at many of the incidents and had allowed the Tunisian civilians to attack the French troops. The Tunisian troops had only intervened in the cases where

**Jap Envoy Will Talk To Stragglers**

Manila, Oct. 28. Toyokichi Nakagawa, First Secretary of the Japanese Embassy in Manila, left by plane today for Mindoro Island to talk to members of a reported colony of 80 Japanese army stragglers, living in the jungle since World War Two.

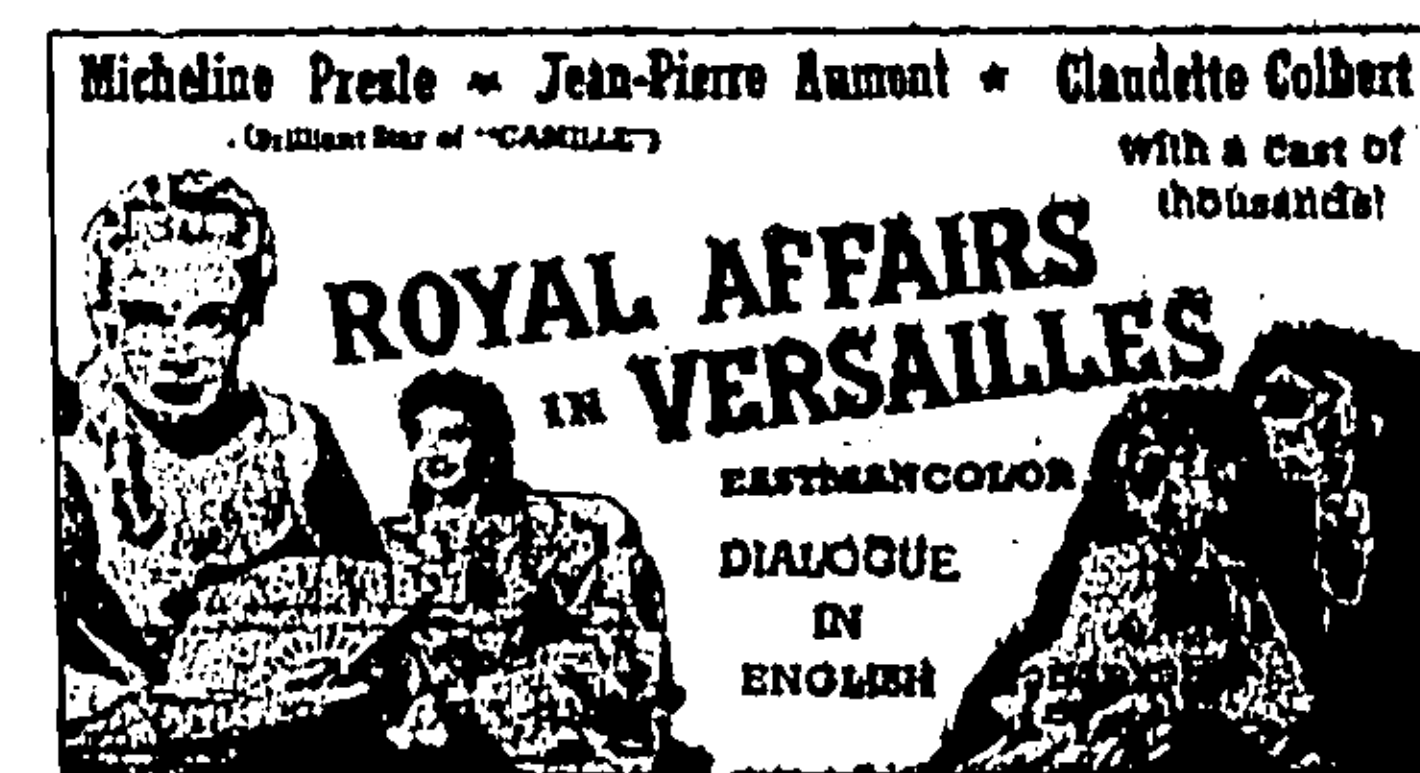
Nakagawa, accompanied by Philippine army officers, set off after contact had been made with the stragglers by an advance civilian team sent out last week into the jungles of the island, located about 95 miles south of Manila.

The team reported talking to four of the hold-outs, all of whom said they were willing to surrender if they could first talk with a Japanese Embassy official.

All were said to be very weak, with one of them suffering from acute abdominal trouble. — France-Press.

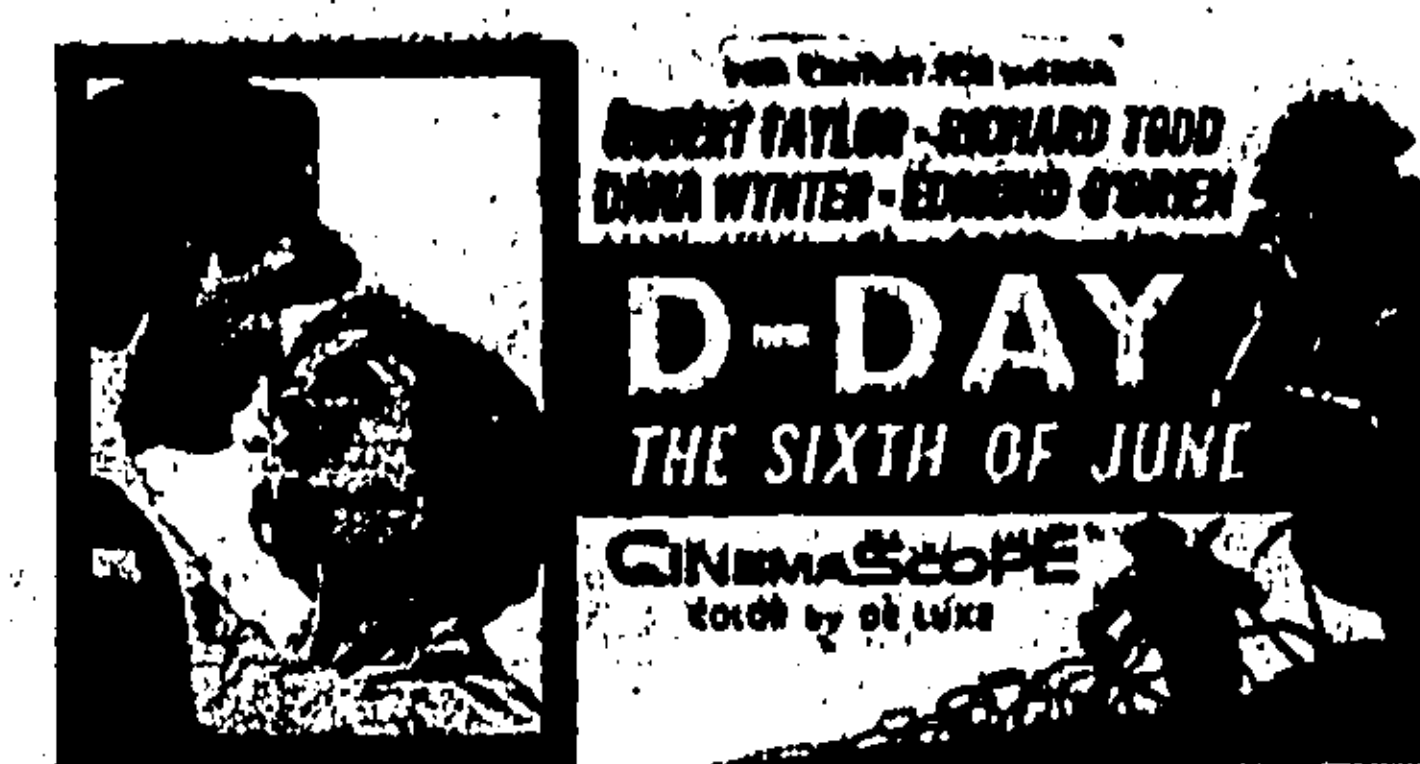
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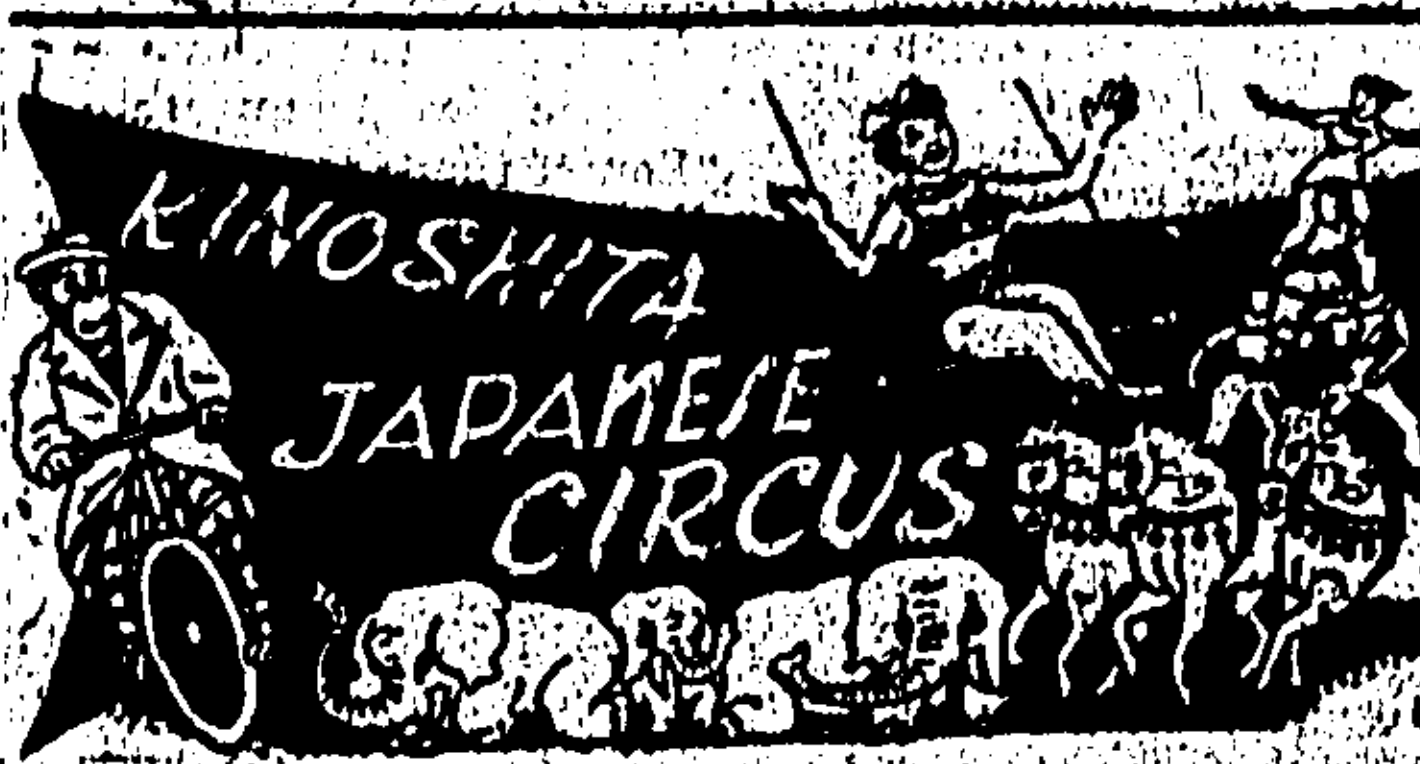
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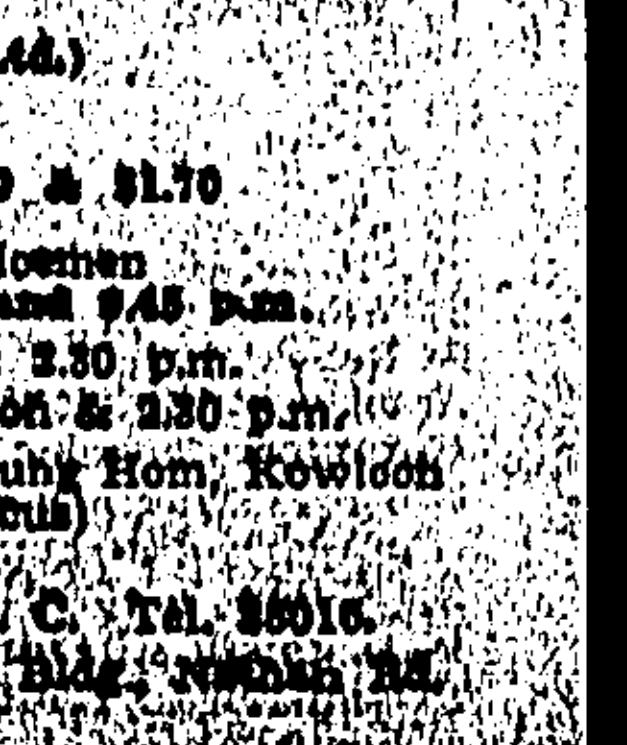
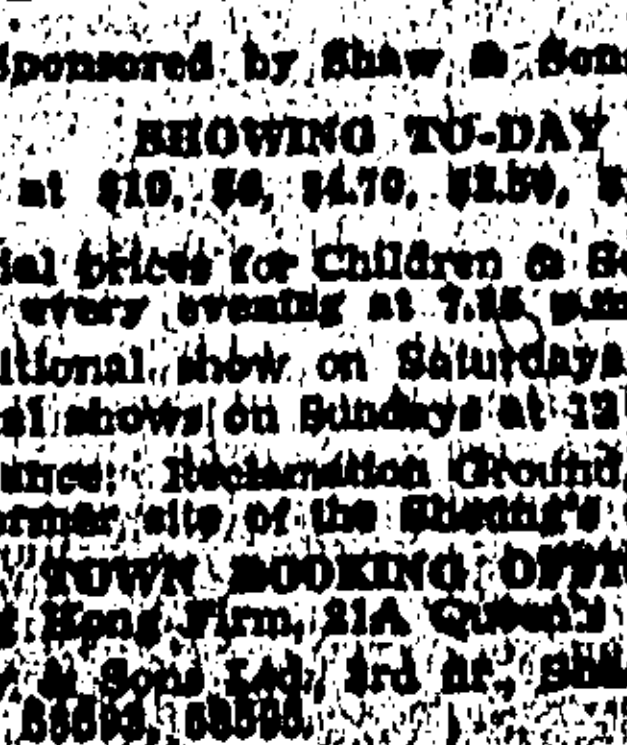
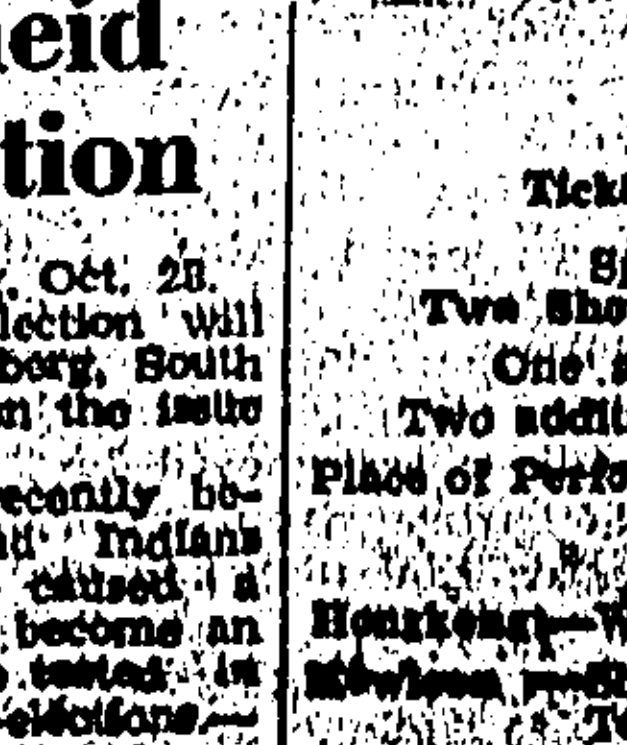
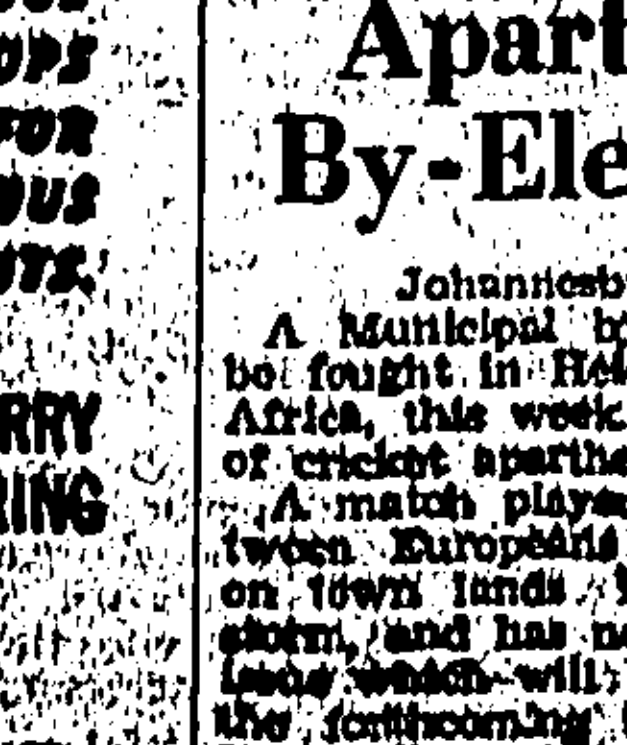
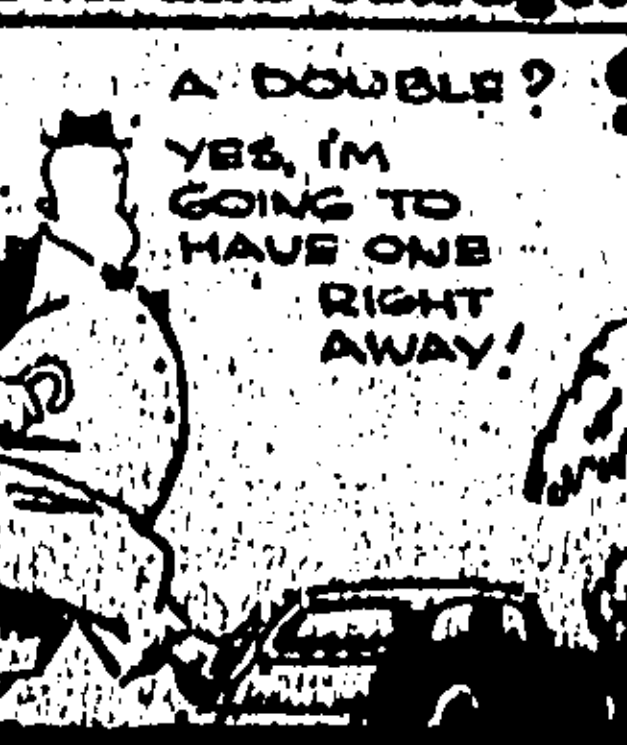
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# Hungarian Government Meets For First Time

## RUSSIAN TROOPS WITHDRAW TO BARRACKS

Vienna, Oct. 28.

The new Hungarian Government under the presidency of Imre Nagy held its first meeting this evening. Its first task was to accept the Government's declaration made by the Premier on the radio.

The Cabinet accepted with thanks the help offered by the Soviet Union, Yugoslavia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland, the United States of America, Austria and other states and Red Cross organisations. On the proposal of Zoltan Tildy, the former President of Hungary, now Minister of State, the Cabinet ordered the Agricultural Minister, Bela Kovacs, to stop the forcing of peasants to join co-operative farms.

A number of refugees from Hungary who have been living in Western Austria arrived today at the Hungarian frontier town of Munkacs and joined as volunteers in the forces of the insurgents.

### Cabinet Changes

Reports on the frontier stated that in many parts of Western Hungary all Russian troops had withdrawn into their barracks and had taken no further part in the fighting today. Some of them had said they were not interested in Hungarian affairs but only in world peace.

Radio Budapest tonight broadcast an account of how the declaration of Imre Nagy was received in the provinces.

It is said that in the County Council of Szeged they said "In general we accept the Prime Minister's statement but we consider a reconstruction of the Cabinet to be essential."—Reuter.

Re-editing Books

The Cabinet also decided among other things to allow greater amounts of raw material for the small tradesmen. It also decided to examine the system of compulsory deliveries of agricultural products and the examination of the demands of the farmers. They decided on the immediate withdrawal of the currency, especially of the old banknotes, and the re-editing of all books, which glorified the cult of personality.

Over Border

Today, supplies rushed to Austria from several Western countries for the Hungarian wounded was sent over the border at the town of Eisenstadt, in the Burgenland district. The British Government is to make an immediate donation of £25,000 sterling to the International Red Cross to alleviate the sufferings of the Hungarian people by the provision of medical and other supplies. It was announced in London tonight.

A statement issued from Sir Anthony Eden's residence, No. 10 Downing Street, said: "Her Majesty's Government have been following with sympathy and admiration the struggle of the Hungarian people for their rights and for freedom."

"They have decided that it is their duty in concert with their allies to bring the tragic situation in Hungary immediately before the Security Council of the United Nations."

"They are also as an immediate practical step making a donation of £25,000 to the International Red Cross to alleviate the sufferings of the Hungarian people by the provision of medical and other supplies."—Reuter.

DULLES DISCLAIMS RESPONSIBILITY

Washington, Oct. 28. The Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, said today that Soviet charges that the United States was responsible for the uprising in Hungary were "lamey rot."

Returning by plane from Dallas, Texas, where he made a speech last night, Mr. Dulles told reporters at the airport he did not know how "lamey rot" would translate into Russian but "I think they'll get the point all right."

Mr. Dulles said he had been in touch with the State Department during his absence of about 30 hours from Washington but had no special new information on conditions inside Hungary.

Latest Reports

Mr. Dulles went from the airport to his office to look over latest reports and kept open a possibility that he might confer with President Eisenhower before the day was out.

Mr. Dulles was met by the Under Secretary of State, Herbert Hoover, Jr., who earlier had conferred with Mr. Eisenhower at Walter Reed Hospital in advance of Mr. Eisenhower's issuance of a statement on the Israeli situation.

President Eisenhower interrupted his weekend, medical check-up in an army hospital here today to confer urgently with Mr. Hoover reportedly on the Hungarian crisis.

Statement

Mr. James Hagerly, White House press officer, said there would be a statement after the conference ended.

Mr. Eisenhower went to Walter Reed Army Medical Centre for a "head to toe" pre-election examination, results of which were expected to be announced by an army doctor team later today.—Reuter.

## Mau Mau Leader



The search for Dedan Kimathi, the Mau Mau leader, is now over. This 34-year-old self-styled Field-Marshal of the Mau Mau was captured at dawn at Nyeri, Kenya. Dedan Kimathi is pictured after his capture.—Reuterphoto.

## Releasing Children For Industry

Auckland, Oct. 28. Headmasters in New Zealand have discussed a move to make it easier for children under 15 years of age to leave school.

The move came from the New Zealand Education Board's Association which at a recent conference carried a resolution to the effect that children should be released from school when they would be better employed in industry.

One headmaster expressed the view that the proposal was not an attempt to lower the leaving age in New Zealand schools but just an attempt to empower senior inspectors to recommend that "any young rebel just filling in time until he was 15 years old" could cease his school education.

"A retrograde step," said an intermediate school headmaster.

Many children are slow to develop, he said, and to release them too soon would deprive them of the chance of finding and taking advantage of latent ability.

'RUBBISH'

"Rubbish," countered another headmaster when the view of latent ability was put to him. Children over 14 years of age and still in primary or intermediate school should be released. Being there against their will, they gangled together and were the cause of delinquency.

"Only cranks would suggest they can still be taught," he said.

"No child is uneducatable," retorted another headmaster. He agreed that many children developed late and should not be lightly discarded from school.

Other headmasters, more cautious in their views, agreed there might be case for wider powers to release children.—China Mail Special.

## COURTSHIP BY POST

Sydney, Oct. 28.

Italian emigrant and rock miner Aldo Zabin left Australia's rugged Snowy Mountains for a brief time to visit Sydney and his bride from Italy when she arrived here by air.

Zabin, in Australia four years, was told by a cousin about dark-eyed Cornelia Valente, aged 33, then living in Calabria, Italy. He began writing to her regularly, telling her of the house he would build for a better life in the pretty mountain township of Cooma. Later he asked Cornelia to be his bride.

Six days after she landed in Australia the couple married.—China Mail Special.

San Juan, Puerto Rico, Oct. 28. Zenobia V. Cimprubi, de Jimenez, wife of the Spanish poet who recently won the Nobel Prize, died of cancer today.

Jimenez, stunned by the tragedy, following so closely on "the death of his Nobel triumph, could only mutter, 'I can't believe it. I can't believe it.'" when he was told his wife was dead.—United Press.

## Troops Prepare For Trouble In Togoland

Accra, Gold Coast, Oct. 28. Armed troops paraded the streets of Lome, capital of French Togoland today as the people voted in a referendum on home rule within the French Union or the continuation of French administration under United Nations trusteeship.

## MAN KILLED BY FISH

Grahamstown, Oct. 28. An African fisherman assistant of the Ichthyologist, Professor J. L. B. Smith, has died after treading on a poisonous stonefish on the Pinda Reef, in Maccabie, according to a report received in Grahamstown from Professor Smith.

When the place where the accident occurred was visited, a big stonefish was found and killed. The needle-sharp spines of the stonefish injected poison into the African's foot and he died in agony soon afterwards.

Professor Smith is now working on the Maccabie coast.—China Mail Special.

## No Freedom

The main opposition parties, the Popular Togoland Movement, the Togoland Unity Committee, and the Juventa Party, are boycotting the referendum, saying there is no political freedom in the country, the voters' lists are rigged, and the referendum offers no chance of real autonomy.

A government spokesman said this morning that all was quiet at the polling stations.—Reuter.

## TEAR GAS BREAKS UP CYPRIOT ANTI-BRITISH MOB

Nicosia, Oct. 28.

British police tossed tear gas bombs today to break up a crowd of Greek Cypriots who turned a Greek National Day rally into an anti-British demonstration.

The Cypriots were celebrating the anniversary of Greece's turning down of Mussolini's surrender demands in 1940—an anniversary which has now become a regular national holiday.

Security forces had forbidden the formation of processions during the celebrations for fear of violence. And when the Cypriots formed into a line after a Te Deum service commemorating the anniversary at a church in Limassol, south of Cyprus, police moved in with tear gas to break it up.

## Threw More

With the first cloud of gas the demonstrators scattered. As they started to re-form, police threw more gas bombs.

Authorities had permitted Greek Cypriots throughout the island to attend church services and fly flags to mark the anniversary. But special precautions were taken to prevent villagers entering the towns and swelling the crowds on the streets. British troops erected road blocks at all entrances to the island's chief cities, and turned back busloads of villagers hoping to enter.

## 'Long Live Enosis'

At Famagusta Cypriots leaving St Nicholas Church after a Te Deum service shouted "Long live Enosis (union with Greece)" and "Long live Archbishop Makarios"—the Cypriot leader exiled by Britain last March for alleged failure to condemn the extremist activities of the EOKA organisation.

Security forces stood by as the crowd left the church but did not intervene.—United Press.

## CUSTOMS HAULS

Auckland, Oct. 28. During the past year, customs officials have caught 102 people trying to smuggle goods into New Zealand. Fines totalled £568.

Among goods seized were currency, watches, beer and spirits, juke box parts, cigarettes and shotgun cartridges.—China Mail Special.

## Drank Sauce To Excess

London, Oct. 28.

A 59-year-old businessman, complaining of headaches, drowsiness, thirst and loss of weight, was diagnosed as suffering from chronic nephritis—inflammation of the kidneys—and given about three months to live.

Then, after asking his doctor one day whether the consumption of a certain table sauce was in any way harmful, it was revealed that he had been taking between a half and one bottle of it daily for many years—"because he liked it."

He was told to stop taking the sauce as a beverage, and within a month his health was back to normal.

The story was told in the British medical journal here today by Dr A. H. Douthwaite, senior physician at Guy's Hospital, London, in an article on wrong diagnoses in medicine. "So far as I know, this is unique," the doctor commented. "It is, I think, an error in prognosis which might be forgiven."—China Mail Special.

## U Nu Visits China Farm

Paris, Oct. 28.

U Nu, former Premier of Burma, today visited the Red Star collective farm on the outskirts of Peking, the New China News Agency reported.

U Nu, who was accompanied by the Chinese Ambassador to Burma, Yab Chung-ming, and Burmese guests, inspected the sowing machines, dairies, hot-houses and the farm clinic.

On Sunday evening, U Nu, accompanied by Premier Chen En-lai, saw a fairy-tale play, "Indigo Flower," given by the Children's Theatre.—France-Press.

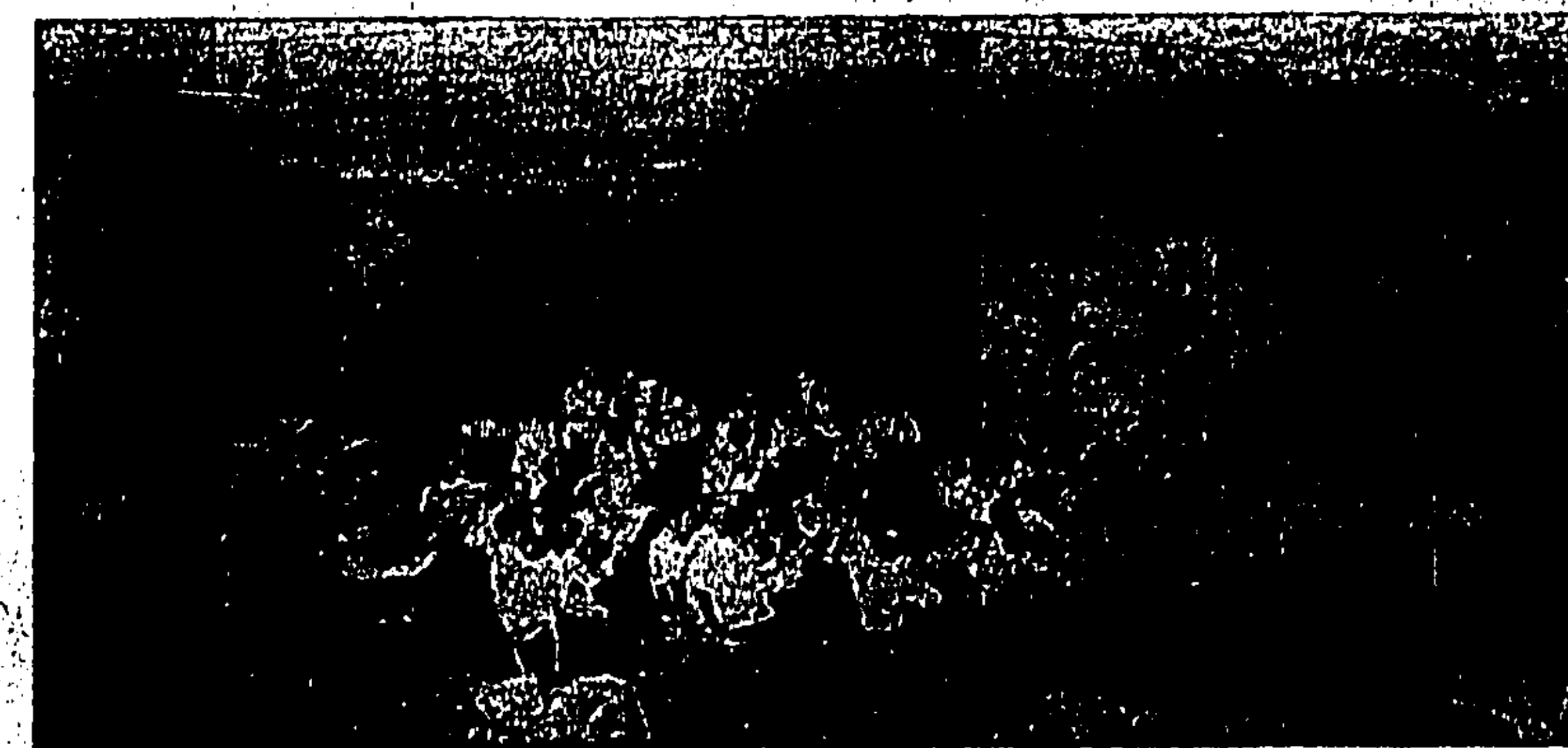
## SMALLER HOLES IN DOUGHNUTS

New York, Oct. 28.

Holes in doughnuts are to be smaller, the National Baking Association has announced.

The size of the doughnut hole is being reduced from the traditional five-eighths of an inch to three-eighths. The reason given for the change by the association is to give dunkers "better gripping."—China Mail Special.

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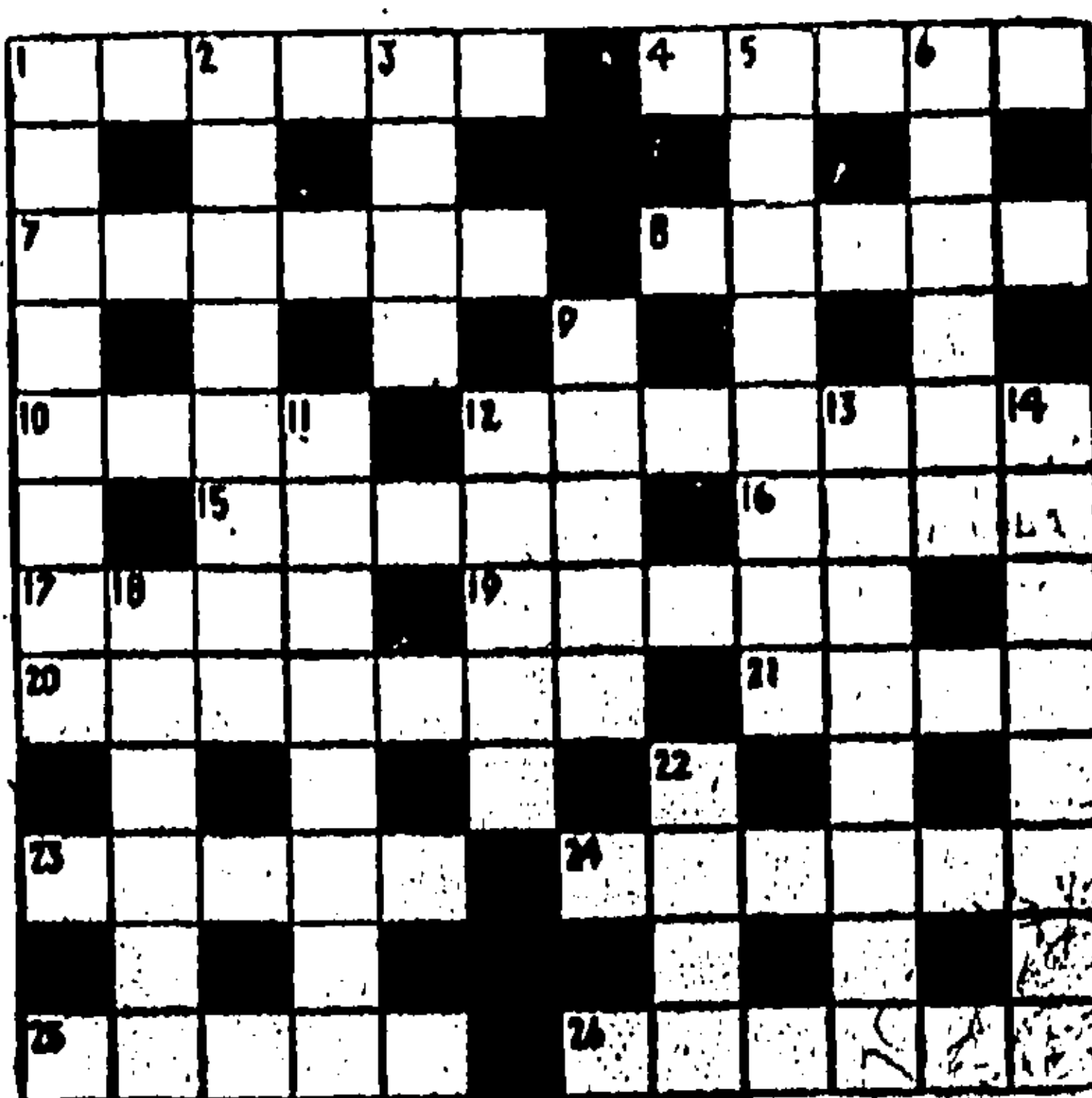
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## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- 1 Livestock (6).
  - 4 Diet (6).
  - 7 Nautilus character (6).
  - 8 Representative (6).
  - 10 Consumes (4).
  - 12 Flatter (7).
  - 15 Wrote (5).
  - 16 A post, at first, in the zoo (4).
  - 17 Nodded (4).
  - 20 Deluge (5).
  - 21 Ask advice of (7).
  - 21 Therefore (4).
  - 23 Wagons (5).
  - 24 Repeats (5).
  - 25 Necessitous (5).
  - 26 Protest (5).
- DOWN
- 1 Beauty preparation (6).
  - 2 Numeral (6).
  - 3 Come into sight (4).
  - 5 Control (8).
  - 6 Not a great deal of time (6).
  - 9 Skilled (5).
  - 11 Mature (5).
  - 12 Passage in church (5).
  - 13 Opening (5).
  - 14 Married (5).
  - 16 Give (5).
  - 22 Lake (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1. Panacea, 2. Roller, 3. Situated, 11. Consider, 12. Port, 13. Devil, 15. Sign, 16. Scan, 21. Message, 24. Evidence, 25. Answer, 26. Solution. Down: 1. Trick, 2. Alone, 3. Reason, 4. Area, 5. Sound, 6. Control, 7. Beware, 8. Victim, 9. Victim, 10. Victim, 11. Victim, 12. Victim, 13. Victim, 14. Victim, 15. Victim, 16. Victim, 17. Victim, 18. Victim, 19. Victim, 20. Victim, 21. Victim, 22. Victim, 23. Victim, 24. Victim, 25. Victim, 26. Victim.



# I'M STICKING MY NECK OUT...AND ATTACKING THE 'NOT SINCE CARUSO' SNOBS

BY  
NOEL  
GOODWIN

MOST people who think they know a thing or two about singing — critics included — are fond of telling their neighbours that voices today are not what they used to be.

Over 60's flourish a bunch of names at you very fast, like "CarusoSemblich-PlancoAlda." Unless you are over 60 yourself and heard them, you cannot argue. Under-30's say just the same thing because at their age they know they are right anyway.

The only evidence you can call is a gramophone record—and more treasures are enshrined on records than many people nowadays realise. Long before the

pop singers it was opera stars who made the early fortunes of the gramophone companies.

Up to 1939 quite a large selection of records by famous singers — truly historic performances of the highest standard — were kept in circulation.

## TREASURE

WITH the war and the "Long-Play" revolution afterwards all these became obsolete. Except to avoid collectors who would pay 25 or more for a dusty, second-hand disc of Ponselle or Galli-Curci — and then be almost afraid to play it for fear of breakages.

But now the giant His Master's Voice company has begun to knock the bottom out of that market.

The archives are yielding up their treasure to bring the great voices of the past to the ears of the present.

A new "Golden Treasury of Immortal Performances" is

launched with collections of the old records in long-play form. First to appear are five discs called "Fifty Years of Great Operatic Singing" — one for each decade from 1900 to 1950.

Singers who are now no more than names come alive again with the actual sound of their voices.

First on the list is Francesco Tamagno — the bull-throated Italian tenor who was Verdi's first Otello—in an aria from "Il Trovatore" recorded in 1907 when he was over 60.

So the galaxy begins.

Patti, Melba, Caruso, Enmy Destinn — the bull-throated Italian tenor who was Verdi's first Otello—in an aria from "Il Trovatore" recorded in 1907 when he was over 60.

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## KEIR HARDIE, the Rebel in Politics

EMRYS HUGHES, MP for South Ayrshire and Hardie's son-in-law, begins a "short life" of the great Scottish Labour leader, idealist and visionary, who fought for the rights of the working man

MARY KEIR'S boy was born on August 15, 1856, in a one-room mud-floor cottage — little more than a shelter from the cold and the rain—in the village of Legbrannock, Lanarkshire. She called him James after her father and registered the birth at Holytown giving the father's name as William Aitken, miner.

Nothing more is known about the father except that he refused to acknowledge the child. Three years later she married David Hardie, a ship's carpenter from Glasgow, and was glad to go away with him to the city where nobody knew her story and where it would be thought that the child was David Hardie's own.

There was no compulsory education and the boy did not go to school. Wages were low and the family lived near to starvation. At the age of eight young James was sent to work as a message boy with the Anchor Line.

## SACKED

AT ten he had his first experience of "the sack." His father had been unemployed for six months, there was fever in the house and his mother was expecting a baby. With his earnings of 3s. 6d. a week as a messenger in a baker's shop in Lanark Street, Glasgow, he was the only breadwinner in the family. Fifty years later he remembered every detail of his humiliation.

"It was the last week in the year. Father had been away for two or three days in search of work. Towards the end of the week, having been up most of the night, I got to the shop fifteen minutes late, and was told by the young lady in charge that if that occurred again I would be punished."

"Next morning the same thing happened. I could tell why but that was neither here nor there. It was a very wet morning, and when I reached the shop I was drenched to the skin, barefooted and hungry. There had not been a crust of bread in the house that morning."

He went to night school and began to learn shorthand, practising writing the characters at spare moments in the pit on a slate smoked from his miner's lamp. His spare money went

"But that was pay-day, and I was filled with hope. 'You are wanted upstairs by the master,' said the girl behind the counter, and my heart almost stopped beating."

"Round the great mahogany table sat the members of the family, with the father at the top. In front of him was a very wonderful-looking coffee taster, in the great glass bowl of which the coffee was bubbling. The table was loaded with dainties."

## FINED

"WY master looked at me over his glasses and said in quite a pleasant tone of voice: 'Boy, this is the second morning you have been late, and my customers leave me if they are kept waiting for their hot breakfast rolls. I therefore dismiss you, and, to make you more careful in the future, I have decided to fine you a week's wages. And now you may go!'"

"I wanted to speak and explain about my home, and muttered out something to explain why I was late, but the servant took me by the arm and led me downstairs. As I went down the stairs, the girl in charge gave me a roll and said a kind word."

"As the afternoon was drawing to a close I ventured home and told my mother what had happened. It seemed to be the last blow. The roll was still under my vest, but soaked with rain. That night the baby was born, and the sun rose on the first of January, 1867, over a home in which there was neither fire nor food, though, fortunately, relief came before the day had reached its noon."

## DISASTER

SOON the family moved to the mining village of Newarthill, and James went down the mines. His job was to regulate the air supply. For 11½ hours a day he was underground often in solitude and, still only a child, he experienced the terror of a pit disaster.

Slowly, laboriously, the young miner learned to read and write. His spelling came from looking at picture books in stationers' shops. His mother taught him to read but he was fifteen before he could write.

He went to night school and began to learn shorthand, practising writing the characters at spare moments in the pit on a slate smoked from his miner's lamp. His spare money went

on books. The first book he remembered reading was Wilson's "Tales of the Borders," and a "Life of William Wallace" which made him a staunch Scots patriot.

Then he turned to the poems of Robert Burns. There was a melancholy strain in young Hardie and he had a lot in common with the inspired ploughman, who had written bitterly that his early life had combined the loneliness of the hermit with the toll of the galley slave.

Hardie worked in the Lanarkshire pits until he was twenty-three. The family relied in a typical miners' row of the time, a bleak, grim street of brick houses that the colliery company had built near the pit, no water, no sanitation and just one pump in the street. Nearly every house was grossly overcrowded, all ages and sexes crammed together with little chance of comfort or decency. Here they were born—here they died. When death came the corpse was put in the coffin on the built-in bed.

## SQUALOR

THE miners became prematurely old with ceaseless toil. They had large families and lived in constant dread of an accident in the mine. Life was hard, primitive, brutish. Few could read or write. Drunkenness, when there was money to spend, was common; for the men who worked in the darkness most of the week, it was the one way of escape from the sordidness and squalor of their lives.

Revolted by the drunkenness Hardie joined a temperance organisation. He met some of the local ministers who persuaded him to go to church—to the surprise of his family who were atheists.

He became a Socialist at 21, but it was not until he was 23 that he was converted to Christianity and joined the Evangelical Church. It was not theology or doctrine that had attracted him but the compassion of the Sermon on the Mount.

The parents remained sceptical and unconvinced. They could not understand what had happened to James. He had always been a little strange. He would get over it. Neither the New Testament nor the Old made any appeal to them. They remained atheists until the end of their days.

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The Miner-in-Revolt

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## THEY'D BOOKED THE DOOMED CABIN



### DONALD EDGAR reports from OUCHY-LAUSANNE

I WENT for a row on the Lake of Geneva with the 10-year-old mother-to-be Princess Ira Hohenloo-Langenberg and her husband Prince Alfonso.

And Alfonso—a tremendously proud expectant father—told me this:

"You know, we—Ira and I—had a lucky escape when the Andrea Doria was wrecked. We'd booked a cabin on the ship on the evening of New

York. Then—at the last minute—I had to cancel it."

"And that cabin was one that was completely destroyed in the collision."

I looked across at Ira as he finished. She expects the child early in November. She is, if anything, more lovely than when I last saw her at her wedding in Venice.

Ira is still quite determined that the child will be a girl—and called Amanda.

"But," as Prince Alfonso put it over lunch, "there is one dim-

culty that I have told Ira about. If it is a girl, she will be 10 when Ira is only 52. And if she is anything as attractive as her mother, I don't know whether Ira is going to like it."

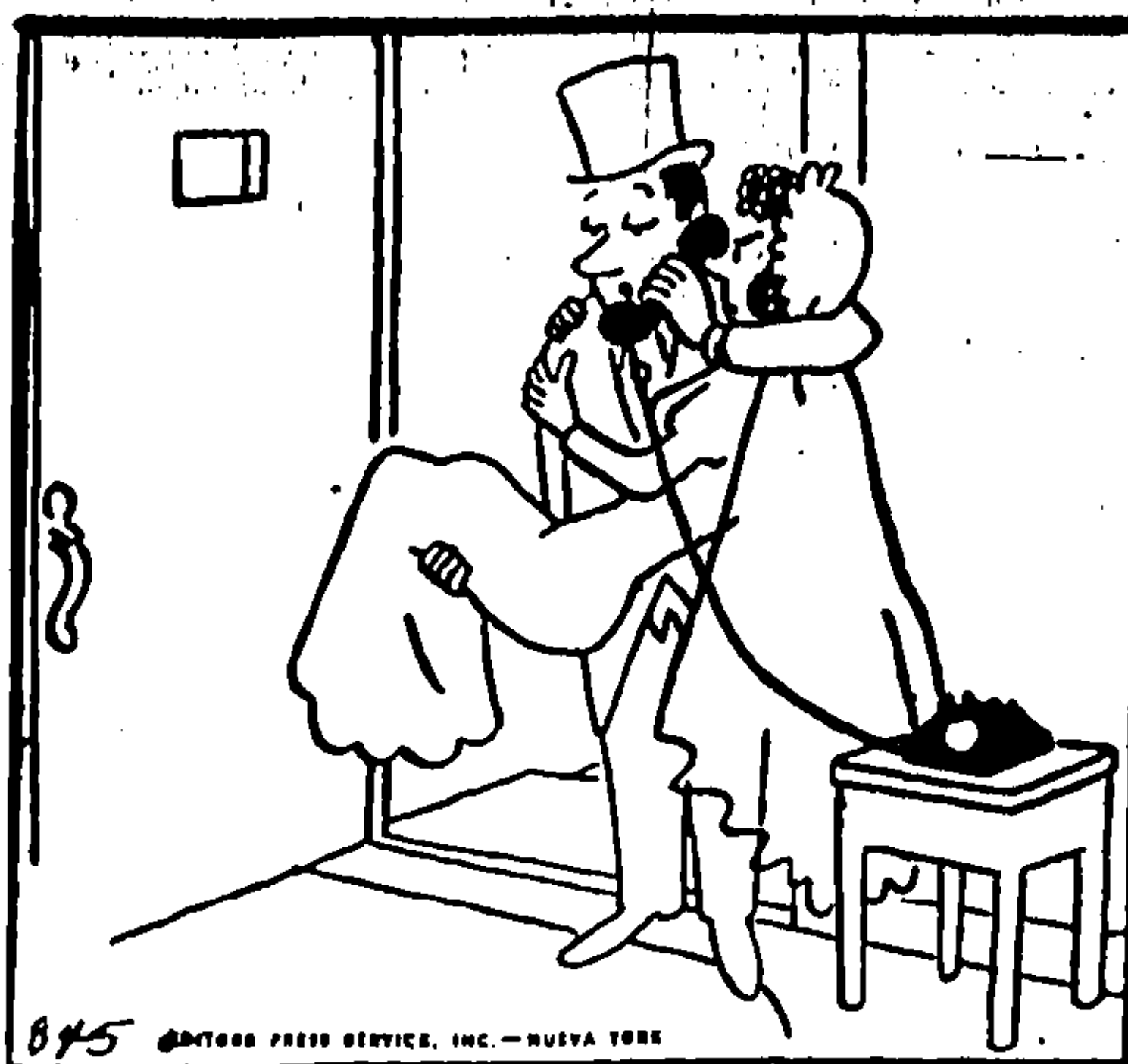
As he said this Ira was tackling a large steak. "I feel wonderful," she said. "The only thing is—my enormous appetite."

When we went on the lake she took some old bread to feed the swans.

After a few minutes Alfonso shouted out: "D'you see what she is doing? She is eating the bread herself!"



## This - Funny World.



"Not much—what's new with you?"

## • BY THE WAY •

by Beachcomber

FOR speed maniacs there is an excellent new road to the furthest stars at the speed of light will not grow any older during the journey, owing to a freak of time and space.

A young man will return to a young man to find that his little son is a great-grandfather. This has led a clever poet to suggest that if we could only go three or four times faster than light, we could achieve a kind of immortality, provided that we never stopped tearing about in the stratosphere, harrying aerobically, of course. The only catch is that even this form of progress will not make an elderly woman look young. But I like to think of the youngest son aged 90, or so, calling his father an impatient young space-puppy.

**Transmiling**

PROFESSOR Deendegast writes to me from the North Croydon Agricultural Station. "You seem to hint that an extension of transmiling might lead to a revolution in station numbering." It is not my custom to hint. Had I intended to say this I should have said it. It is not numbers that are miffed, but cows, and by talking them and clockwork either the odd or the even number is temporarily passed over. Obviously, if the numbers were changed during the milking the cows would still be milked, but for purposes of the written record, the order in

### Taking the biscuit

DEAR Sir,  
It seems to me just as silly to give Eskimos magic biscuits to make them taller as it would be to give Guardsmen something to make them shorter. Nature takes care of us all, giving the giraffe a long neck to get at juicy leaves on high trees, the elephant a trunk to pick things up with, the cow a tail to swish flies, and so on. Nature intended Eskimos to be short, but if there is any race that really deserves this biscuit it is the penguins of Patagonia, who can really be said to be inconvenienced by their modest stature. Let them, in the jangling phrase goes, "take the biscuit."

Yrs. truly,  
Harrison Garstang.

### A natural question

A MAN who was either a jester or as innocent as a baby stood looking at the 19-mile line of stationary traffic on a main road outside London the other day. Then he approached a driver and asked courteously, "What are all you waiting here for?"

### TARGET

How many words of four letters can you make from the letters in the squares on the target? Each word must contain the large letter in the centre square, and there must be at least one letter in common with the word in the square below it. No plurals; no foreign words; no proper names. **TODAY'S TARGET:** 1. 10 words; 2. 10 words; 3. 10 words; 4. 10 words; 5. 10 words; 6. 10 words; 7. 10 words; 8. 10 words; 9. 10 words; 10. 10 words.

**SATURDAY'S SOLUTION:** 1. 10 words; 2. 10 words; 3. 10 words; 4. 10 words; 5. 10 words; 6. 10 words; 7. 10 words; 8. 10 words; 9. 10 words; 10. 10 words.

## YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

MONDAY, OCTOBER 29

BORN today, you are one of the world's "old" reprobates. You can be depended upon to do a job and see it through, no matter how annoying the detail. With you duty to your present job, as well as to your future, is a paramount quality. Quiet, reserved, and dignified, you invite confidence and respect. Others seem to recognize your wisdom, fairness, and honesty to all, and quite naturally come to you for help and advice.

You men probably will be interested in social reforms and will think twice before acting and not only to be adequate with others, but to be tactful and diplomatic.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)**—Expect the unexpected and you will be able to work things out.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)**—You can control even the most explosive conditions and come out in the right.

**LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)**—You may be put on the defensive again today; stay calm and collected and you will find a way out of the situation.

## • JACOBY ON BRIDGE

### Too Cautious Play Sets Bid

By OSWALD JACOBY

GOOD bridge players always look for a way to safeguard an excellent contract. There is, however, such a thing as playing a hand too safe.

In today's hand, for example, East won the first trick with the jack of hearts and continued with two more top hearts. South naturally planned to ruff the third round of hearts, but he made the mistake of ruffing with the jack of trumps, on the mistaken assumption that this was a safe play.

South discovered his error when he led a trump at the fourth trick. West had all of the missing trumps, and he was

NORTH (D) 28			
♠ K 8 5 2			
♥ Q 8 3			
♦ A K Q 9			
♣ A Q			
EAST			
♠ None			
♥ A K J 9 7 5			
♦ 8 3			
♣ J 10 4 3			
SOUTH			
♠ A Q J 3			
♥ 10 4			
♦ J 7 5			
♣ K 8 2			
North-South vul.			
1 ♠	1 ♥	1 ♠	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♥ 6			

now sure to get two tricks with them. This was, of course, enough to set the contract.

The true safety play was to ruff the third round of hearts with the three of spades. West could overruff, to be sure, but then South could easily draw the rest of West's trumps with his own three high cards and dummy's king. West would get his one trump trick early or late, as he pleased.

South did not have to look at an opponent's hand to see that a ruff with the three of spades would protect him against all dangers. If West could not overruff, there was no advantage in ruffing with the jack. If West could overruff, only four trumps would remain out. South could easily pick up those four trumps with his own remaining high cards and with dummy's king.

### ♥ CARD SENSE ♦

Q—The bidding has been:  
North: 1 ♠ East: 1 ♥ South: 2 ♥ West: 2 ♠  
You, South, hold:  
♠ 7 5 3 2 ♦ K J 9 8 ♣ K 8 3  
What do you do?  
A—Pass. Don't bother to return to partner's first suit when the hand has no future and when you are in a safe spot.

### TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:  
♠ 7 5 3 2 ♦ K J 9 8 ♣ K 8 3  
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

# WOMANSENSE

## COLOURFUL CROPPED COATS DESIGNED FOR SCOOTER GIRLS

By HAZEL MEYRICK



First of the scooter coats, in welded white plastic with a look of leather about it; it has a tartan lining.

## Allergies In Children

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

IT'S a good idea to try to protect your children from allergic reactions right from the start.

Hereditarily, it appears, plays an important part in allergies. So if one of the parents has an allergy, you should watch closely for allergic tendencies in children.

Careful feeding is especially important. Avoid overfeeding, for one thing.

And introduce certain foods known to cause allergy into the child's diet very slowly. Some of the foods which might cause reactions are whole eggs, chocolate and raw fruits and vegetables.

Plain fluid milk may sometimes cause allergic reactions. Maybe it will help keep the child from becoming sensitized if you give him dried milk, evaporated milk or boiled fluid milk instead.

You should, of course, have your youngsters immunized against smallpox, tetanus, diphtheria and whooping cough. This is even more important for youngsters subject to an allergy.

Always be alert to any symptoms of allergy. Sometimes mannerisms like rubbing the eyes or nose, wrinkling the nose and sniffing, might indicate an allergy has started.

Children with allergic tendencies should not be permitted to sleep with teddy bears or other stuffed wool toys which might contain horse hair, rabbit hair or other allergic substances.

The youngster's room should be kept clean. There should be no rugs in the floors and upholstered furniture, drapes and other dust catchers should be eliminated.

A foam rubber mattress and pillow might be advisable too. And as much as I favour pets for children, any youngster with an allergy probably is better off without a dog, cat or bird.

### Household Hints

To coax the last full measure of fluffiness from ball fringe trimming, allow it to dry thoroughly; then hold it briefly over a steaming kettle or steam iron.

Pick up bits of broken glass with a bar of damp soap. Later you can shave them off with a knife and discard them.

London. A FASHION that has spread like a rash across Europe — and looks like being here to stay — is the craze for owning a motor scooter or, better still, one of those miniature cars that whiz around like beetles, disgorge their passengers via the sunshine roof, or out through the bonnet.

While male eyes are turned towards the Motor Show, with its giant, unparkable limousines and their built-in cocktail cabinets, women who have realised that she who rides a scooter gets there first, in London's traffic chaos, are flocking to buy the latest motors-in-miniature — and posing a fashion problem.

Even in the most opulent saloon car, usual-length topsuits tend to trail on the floor, get caught in the car door. In a miniature run-about there is scarcely room for your passenger and your topcoat, and on a scooter a long coat can be lethal.

Until now, the uniform for London's scooter enthusiasts has been the duffle coat, which makes its owner look like a slightly shabby teddy-bear. But now, almost overnight, the fashion designers have turned out an array of colourful cropped coats designed especially for the girl who is mobile. Brightest and best of the lot is the scooter coat in a new kind of heavy plastic which looks very like soft glass. You can find it in ice-cream colours, or in a wide variety of practical possibilities since you just sponge these coats clean — pink, blue and other fondant colours.

Despite its delicate look, this coat is tough enough to wear when servicing your machine, for the seams are welded together by a special heat process, and there's no stitching to come apart.

### OTHER VARIATIONS

Another answer to the scooter-girl's prayers is the new thigh-length jacket in bright, shower-proofed poplin. You can take your choice from the blazer-with-brass-buttons variety, or snugly designed coolie styles with ribbing round the throat and cuffs. Strictly for town wear is the Teddy-boy scooter coat in a tweed mixture of blue and black — spruced up with velvet lapels.

Raincoat designer, Martin Gilmick is a man with a gimmick on his mind. He teamed a red shower-proofed cotton jacket with a matching proofed skirt you just wrap around yourself when a rainstorm threatens.

A plea to all scooter owners from one who has watched

from the sidewalk — please, don't full ballooning skirts which make you look like a ship in full sail as you roar past. Flared skirts are fine in Italy, where the girls sit gracefully side-saddle on the pillion, but in countries where this practice is frowned on by the police, the right skirt is a straight one, with an inverted pleat at the back to keep it from riding up. And however keen you may be, it is really necessary to wear driving goggles and a track suit. The woman-from-Mars look may be just right on the race-track, but in the city street you look like something that has crept out of a horror film.

### THE STIEBEL LABEL

Couturier Victor Stiebel, who designed the dresses for Princess Margaret's African tour, launched his first ready-to-wear collection last week. Like his classic summer suits in a new, heavy cotton satin, the gay, wrap-around

toppers with shawl collars, but I liked some of the dreary prints he used. Expensive exquisitely-designed dresses had a "just right for the garden" look about them, despite the Stiebel label, because they were made up in anemic, faded flower cottons.

### AND GIMMICKS

Gimmicks from the collection worth remembering are the plain cotton stools shown with the more sophisticated dresses — straight wraps in white or black pique, worn over plain sheaths in caramel, black, or cornflower blue linen.

A bright idea too, were the simply-cut edge to edge coats in heavy cotton which picked up the colour of the print beneath. A garden-party dress in a tangerine and white flower pattern, for instance, was topped by a coat of tangerine cotton pique — a bold splash of colour that brought the print to life.



A princess line dress in cotton satin, from the Victor Stiebel's ready-to-wear collection.

## SPECIAL VANILLA SAUCES

By ALICE DENHOFF

THERE'S nothing like vanilla to add magic to dessert sauces. Not only does it have its own distinctive flavour, it also steps up the goodness of the other flavours, too. Just try these and see which goes over best.

Penuche Sauce is rich but is

To prepare 2 c. of this delicious topping, mix 1 1/2 c. brown sugar, 1/2 c. light corn syrup and 1/4 c. butter or margarine in a 1 qt. saucepan. Bring to boiling point and cook 2 min. or until sugar and butter are thoroughly blended. Remove from heat.

Sir in 1/4 c. sweetened condensed milk and 1/10 tsp. salt. Cool. Remove from heat.

Add 1/4 c. chopped nuts and 1 1/2 tsp. pure vanilla extract. It's wonderful over ice cream and delicious over pound cake when a quickie dessert is needed.

### With Chopped Nuts

Nutty Vanilla Sauce is excellent over puddings and cakes as well as ice cream.

Combine 2 tbsp. cornstarch, 1 1/2 c. sugar and 1/4 tsp. salt in a 1 qt. saucepan. Stir in 1/4 c. cold water. Gradually blend in 1 1/4 c. boiling water and cook until slightly thickened, stirring mixture constantly.

Add 1/4 c. butter or margarine. Cool and stir in 3 tsp. vanilla extract and 1/4 c. chopped nuts.

### Combined Flavours

When chocolate and vanilla flavours are combined, the result is a double treat.

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## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

### Guests For Breakfast

—Chirpie Has A Surprise For The Shadows—

By MAX TRELL

HANID, the shadow girl with the turned-about name, glanced out of the window. She looked at the window sill, smiled and nodded. The bread crumbs were already there. Her brother Knarf must have laid them out just after breakfast.

Knarf came in, the next moment and said yes he had put the crumbs out. But where was Chirpie Sparrow? "You'd better call him," said Hanid.

Knarf whistled twice—two sharp little whistles.

A moment later there was a swift flutter of wings and Chirpie Sparrow alighted on the window sill.

Chirpie cocked his eye as he looked at the crumbs. He tasted two or three of them, picking them up delicately. In his bill and tossing them down his throat.

"Delicious," he said to Knarf and Hanid. "So nice and fresh. I wonder if you'd mind if I did something which I don't often do."

Knarf and Hanid looked at Chirpie with surprise. "What'd I like to do," said Chirpie. "I'll invite some other sparrows to share the delicious bread crumbs with me."

Unusual Request

This was indeed an unusual request for Chirpie Sparrow. To make Hanid could well remember his day not more than a week ago when another sparrow had dared to alight on the window sill while Chirpie was saving his bread crumbs. Chirpie had flown at him, whistling, his wings

furiously and shrieking: "Go away! Keep away from my crumbs! But today things seemed to have changed with Chirpie Sparrow. Today he wanted breakfast guests.

"By all means invite your friends," Hanid said to Chirpie. "Thank you, I will," said Chirpie.

With that, he lifted his head and chirped five or six times. The chirps meant: "Come quickly—come quickly—breakfast—breakfast!"

Three More Sparrows

It wasn't another moment before three other sparrows, all big and fluffy, came hopping across the garden. They stopped just under the window sill, looked up and peeped.

"Well, come up, come up," said Chirpie.

The two friends trot away happily together and Rupert, now quite cheerful again, tells his "pal" what he has tried to do. "It was such a perfect day," he made me want to do a good turn to somebody," he says, "but nobody would sweet-talk to me! And that's how the rain came."

All boys

Chirpie. "Your breakfast is being here for you."

"But we can't fly that high," said the other Sparrows.

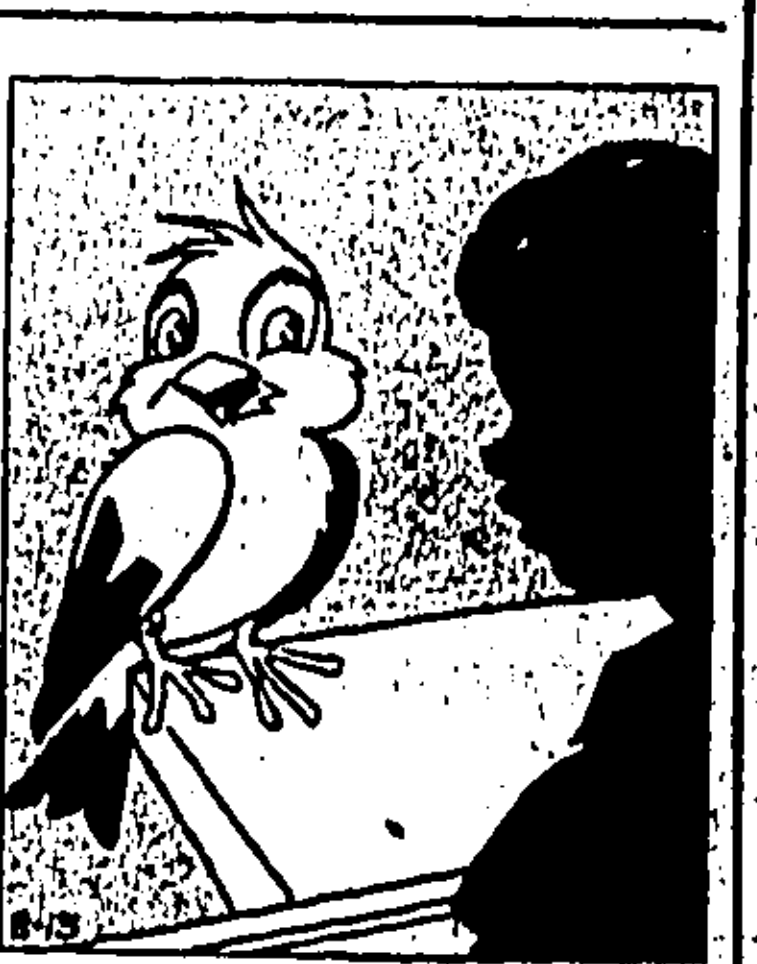
"Now look here," said Chirpie. "Just flutter your wings up and down."

This was all very surprising to Knarf and Hanid. While they watched, the strange sparrows fluttered their wings and made little hops up in the air. But they came right down to the ground again. They couldn't seem to reach the window sill.

"Faster, my dears. Move your wings faster," Chirpie urged them.

At this point Hanid broke in to ask Chirpie what kind of sparrows those friends of his were that couldn't fly high enough to reach the window sill. "What kind?" said Chirpie, in a surprised voice. "Why they're my little sparrows."

"Your children?" exclaimed Knarf.



Chirpie told Knarf he wanted to share the bread crumbs.

Chirpie nodded. "Born last month," he said. "It's their first day out of the nest."

Then Knarf and Hanid noticed how much like Chirpie those young sparrows looked.

"How wonderful," said Hanid. "I'm so glad to know that you have children, Chirpie. I hope they learn how to fly."

"They will. Don't you worry about that. Flutter your wings harder," Chirpie chirped down to them again. "Well, never mind. You can't expect to learn to fly in one day," he said at last. "Just wait down here. I'll bring your breakfast to you."

And saying that, Chirpie stuffed his bill with crumbs. He flew down beside his children and stuck a crumb in the mouth of each one of them.

"Thank you for the lovely breakfast," he called up to Knarf and Hanid, a little later. "We're all going around, the happy family."

And away Chirpie went, with his children fluttering and hopping after him as best they could.

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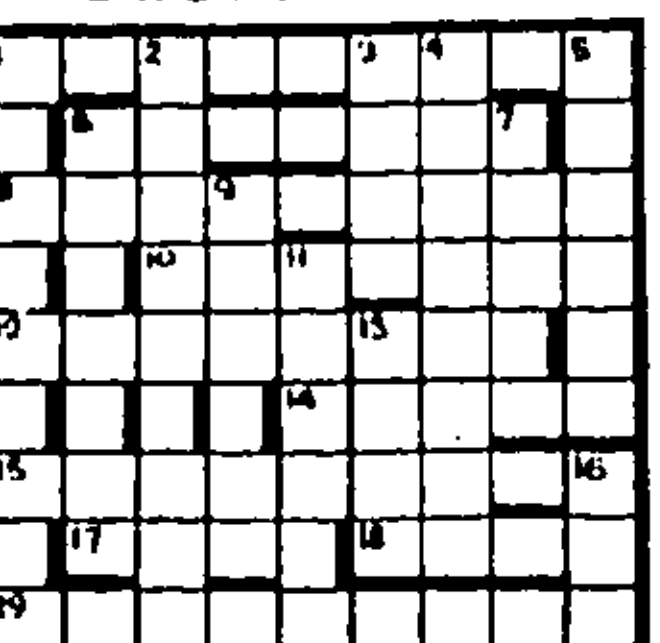
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### CROSSWORD



Across

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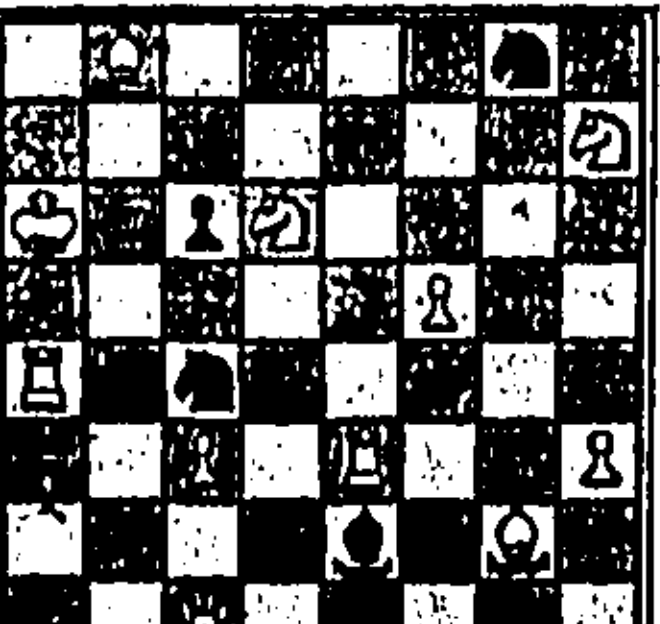
Down

1. Paris involved indeed. (9)
2. It's what all Across persons come under. (9)
3. Pleasant in Southern France. (4)
4. Like the life girl, this is sometimes squeezed between two BOYS. (6)
5. This man is often wiser. (6)
6. Bull sikes. (7)
7. Sometimes mistaken for swan. (6)
8. This adds a little to the woodwork. (6)
9. E. O. W. N. (6)
10. A common name for a dog. (6)
11. Insurance. (6)
12. Top hat this. (6)
13. Father word. (6)
14. L. I. D. E. (6)
15. A word which means to be a shadow. (8)

**SATURDAY'S SOLUTION**  
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## CHESS

by LEONARD BARDEN



A problem by C. Mansfield (Good Computations, 1919). White mates in two.  
**Solution to Saturday's problem:**  
1. K-K3, 2. Q-Q3, 3. Q-Q3, 4. K-K3, 5. Q-Q3, 6. K-K3, 7. Q-Q3, 8. K-K3, 9. Q-Q3, 10. K-K3, 11. Q-Q3, 12. K-K3, 13. Q-Q3, 14. K-K3, 15. Q-Q3, 16. K-K3, 17. Q-Q3, 18. K-K3, 19. Q-Q3, 20. K-K3, 21. Q-Q3, 22. K-K3, 23. Q-Q3, 24. K-K3, 25. Q-Q3, 26. K-K3, 27. Q-Q3, 28. K-K3, 29. Q-Q3, 30. K-K3, 31. Q-Q3, 32. K-K3, 33. Q-Q3, 34. K-K3, 35. Q-Q3, 36. K-K3, 37. Q-Q3, 38. K-K3, 39. Q-Q3, 40. K-K3, 41. Q-Q3, 42. K-K3, 43. Q-Q3, 44. K-K3, 45. Q-Q3, 46. K-K3, 47. Q-Q3, 48. K-K3, 49. Q-Q3, 50. K-K3, 51. Q-Q3, 52. K-K3, 53. Q-Q3, 54. K-K3, 55. Q-Q3, 56. K-K3, 57. Q-Q3, 58. K-K3, 59. Q-Q3, 60. K-K3, 61.



## EASTERN-1. KMB-0

# THE BUSMEN KNEW THE ROUTE TO GOAL BUT THEY COULDN'T RING THE BELL

Says I. M. MacTAVISH

This game defied the whole concept of averages. According to an old saying on the Law of Averages 'it has to happen sometime' but after all this when "it" was KMB scoring a goal, I am prepared to go on record with the opinion that if they had played all night they would only have proved how wrong — how terribly wrong, the old saying can be.

The Busmen's front rank—luckless as it was—must shoulder every morsel of blame for the fact that they retired pointless from this match which was played at the Hongkong Stadium yesterday.

Not only should they have won but they should have won by such a margin that their "goals for" column would have had a healthy look for weeks to come.

I know that sounds like a paradox: let me assure you it isn't. Eastern scored with the first real chance they had and Lo Kwok-tai, who did the honours, should have made it two a little later, but he shot against Wal Fat-kim after getting tight through. Kung Wah-ki should also have scored in the second half when the KMB defence had been split wide open by a long diagonal cross from Hui Ching-to.

While those things were happening at one end of the pitch strange goings-on were witnessed at the other. Prompted and fattered by Tang Sun and Lee Chun-fat the youthful Busmen carved a path round and through the Eastern defence. After their approach work was a delight to watch but may be preserved from another exhibition of this pitiful, purposeless and pointless finishing.

## VOCAL ROUTINE

There was once again only a meagre crowd but if they are ever called to give evidence as to the soundness of the KMB forwards then there will be 9,700 willing witnesses for the prosecution. The fans—vociferous enough—were tucked away in one end of the huge stadium and they soon developed a strict vocal routine. It usually started with a deep rumble of expectation; increased to a cheer of encouragement; but always it ended in a gruff groan of frustration and disappointment.

Judged by this fluctuating volume of sound it seemed that a very large proportion of the crowd wanted to see a KMB victory. Eastern still remain the social outcasts as far as fan affection is concerned, but as

## NOTICE

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Programme and Entry Forms for the 3rd Race Meeting 1956/57 to be held on Saturday 10th and Monday 12th November, 1956, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's office, Alexandra House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Tuesday 30th October, 1956.

By Order of the Stewards, A. E. ARNOLD, Secretary.

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## WEEK-END CRICKET

## Civilians Were Tame On Saturday, Livelier Yesterday

The Singapore Services have played the first match of their cricket tour of Hongkong, drawing with the Combined Civilians, and much has already been written about this match.

Things started at a creepy pace in the Hongkong Combined Civilians' first knock of 180 on Saturday which lasted for three hours and seven minutes.

Except for medium-fastish King and left-hander Flood, there wasn't too much bite in the visitors' attack, yet the cream of local civilian batting talent—on paper a very strong batting side indeed—got quietly lost in a big match atmosphere reminiscent of their mood against the full Malaysian Interport side.

George Souza stayed for some while, reached 47, tried to make it 60 quickly in a typical gesture, his love for round figures again getting the better of him, and was out, caught at mid-wicket by Rose off Flood.

Meanwhile wickets had been tumbling at the other end and the remaining two did not last long.

The Singapore Services opened at a brisker pace with Rose and Rutherford and few a time looked like they were settling down to a handsome score.

Tony Myatt suffered from stage fright, or was it boots, from the pavilion end, but "Buddy" Carnell, with more experience of this type of match despite his youth, was not overawed and finally broke up the first wicket partnership.

The Singapore Services wickets kept falling steadily. Fairhall, who as usual tried to be faster than he should be for the first few overs, finally settled down and did some damage.

Bone held his ground for the Singapore Services and the score at drawing of stumps on Saturday evening was 131 for eight. Next morning 15 more runs were added to this score.

## CLEAR THINKING

There must have been some clear thinking over Saturday night. One of the earlier cricketing birds crossing the ferry on Sunday morning was already spiced with the new mood.

He had decided that the visitors were not as frightening as they might seem and agreed that they did not look stronger than would a combined Army North and South team.

Wood and Pritchard opened the Combined Civilians' second innings aggressively, and the old creeping maged was soon a thing of the past. King was not too easy to play, but he was played.

George Souza, who followed Pritchard, was in confident mood though a little winded by maverick running between the wickets, but Flood eventually broke through his guard with a beautiful ball.

Tony Weiler followed soon after, but Alec Pearce steeled

could have been accommodated easily at Caroline Hill at a fraction of the cost involved at the Hongkong Stadium. Makes you think.

## GOALKEEPING ERRORS

South China deserved to win if only because they never stopped trying to play fast open football and because they fought back to retrieve two goalkeeping errors by Lau King-cheung. Kitchee on the other hand hardly deserved to lose.

Early on they turned in some grand stuff which, with just a little luck, might have been turned to game winning goals... but when the real pressure was on their defence lost the place and finished up a very subdued lot indeed.

The personalities were Chun Fai-hung and Chow Man-chi for Kitchee and Chan Chi-kong, Ho Cheung-yau and maestro Yiu Cheuk-yin for South China. King-cheung on the one side and Mok Chun-wah on the other looked far from being fit enough to take part in this sort of game.

The goal scorers were Chu Wing-wah (2) both from second half penalties. Ho Cheung-yau (2), Yiu Cheuk-yin and Mok Chun-wah for South China; and Chan Fai-hung, Szeto Man, Yeung Wai-to and Kwok Ying-tok for Kitchee.

**SATURDAY'S GAME**  
SOUTH CHINA..... 6.  
KITCHEE..... 4.

South China's brilliant forward line carried a tottering defence to victory in this spectacular and often thrilling game.

Both defences found the opposing forwards more than a shade too good for them and even the ten goals scored hardly reflected the chances that arose.

Nevertheless this was a real soccer tonic after the drab and disappointing stuff we have had to watch recently. The teams threw everything into their play, and the fact that last got something worthwhile to shout about was that the fans were not nearly as numerous as had been hoped. In spite of exaggerated reports, the official attendance at the game was only 17,000, some 21,500 short of the ground capacity, and a crowd that

things up and Phil Wood (66 and highest scorer of the match) excited quite some comment from the stands on his ability as an opening batsman.

An after-lunch partnership between Pearce and Fairhall was bright, brisk and productive.

## MUCH BRIGHTER

The cricket on Sunday was undoubtedly of a much brighter quality. 300 runs were scored as against Saturday's tortuous 287. The Combined Civilians finally declared at 234 with six wickets lost, the Singapore Services going in with a few minutes' batting before the tea interval.

The target set was 209 runs in 160 minutes with, apparently, quite some confidence being reposed in the Combined Civilians' attack being able to send a batsman back to the pavilion every 10 minutes.

Rose and Rutherford again settled down and were not separated till 33 runs were up on the board. Grindrod and later Bone stayed quite confidently without making any particular effort to score runs very quickly.

It looked very much like a tame draw would be the ultimate result. There were many wrong guesses, though the match was eventually to end in a draw. But it wasn't to be a tame draw.

The situation took a dramatic turn as Bone was let before to Carnell and Dabner held the next man in King, off the same bowler. The remaining minutes of the match were largely a matter of how fast Dabner and Carnell could deal with the ball.

They just fumbled and at match's end the Singapore Services were 141 for nine.

## John Davis Omitted From U.S. Team

San Jose, California, Oct. 28. John Davis, who won the 1948 and 1952 Olympic heavyweight weightlifting titles, was injured during trials here yesterday and has been omitted from the American team to compete in next month's Olympic Games in Melbourne.

Davis, who was considered certain to be selected, had a suspected fractured kneecap after falling when making a lift. The American selectors decided to send an extra light heavyweight instead of a heavyweight. The team of seven includes Tommy Kono, who won the lightweight title in 1952 but is now a world record holder at light-heavyweight and another Olympic champion in middleweight Pete George.

**Team:**  
Bantamweight—Charles Vinci; Featherweight—Isaac Berger; Middleweight—Pete George; Light-heavyweight—Tommy Kono and Jim George; Heavyweight—Dave Slippard; Heavyweight—Paul Anderson.

American weightlifters won four Olympic titles in 1952—China Mail Special.

## GABUH CLEARS 50 FEET IN HOP, STEP

In the North Borneo Olympic Trials at Jesselton on Saturday, Dusun policeman Gabuh bin Tiging cleared 50 feet 1 1/2 inches in the Hop, Step and Jump. Schoolteacher Shum bin Dlau was second at 48 feet 7 1/2 inches.

On current form Gabuh stands an excellent chance of being selected for the British Commonwealth versus United States match that will follow the Olympic Games at Melbourne.

## CAPTAIN LEFT SPEECHLESS

## Mainlanders Become Match Winners For Islanders

By "PAK LO"

On Saturday afternoon Garrison Mainland, to make a more even game of their match, very sportingly lent Garrison Island one of their players and their first reserve as the Islanders had turned up three men short.

When the game finished, the Garrison Mainland captain, Dowling, unable to play himself due to injuries, was speechless, as the two men he had lent the Islanders proved to be the match winners, and as a result Garrison Island left the field, with a comfortable 16 points (2 goals, 2 tries) to 8 points (1 goal, 1 try).

Later in the afternoon on the same ground 48 Brigade romped home to a 19 points (2 goals, 3 tries) to 3 points (1 try, 1 penalty) while at Kai Tak the RAF Mainland went down by 9 points (2 tries, 1 penalty) to nil to the stronger 27 Brigade.

On the other side of the harbour, the Club "A" had to go all out to overcome its own "B" team by 13 points (2 goals, 1 try) to 9 points (1 try, 2 penalty goals) while Police walked away to the tune of 21 points (3 goals, 2 tries) to 3 points (1 try, 1 penalty).

Now that the "B" Club has been accepted by the HKRU the referees are already in action, but Cantor at the Boundary Street ground was faced with a nice problem on Saturday.

## A SLIP UP

Both Garrison teams turned up wearing red jerseys and as a result the game had to be postponed until new colours were obtained. This was a slip up on someone's part, and it is to be hoped that some arrangements can be made by the Army authorities concerned to provide either one or another of the teams with distinctive jerseys.

The HKRU has agreed to send an official invitation to the Yawata Steel Works XV of Japan, confirming the arrangements made before for the two sides to meet in the early part of February as the date of arrival.

A team of 25 men will be coming through, and it is hoped to give pen pictures of some of their outstanding players to this column in the near future.

## Garrison Mainland v. Garrison Island

The Mainland pack were the disappointment here as they were outshooked by Barker in the set scrums, and in the loose they gathered quickly round the ball, got their heads down, and showed. But no one seemed to think of putting a foot over the ball and heeling it back to their waiting three, and as a result the Mainland three got few good chances.

The Mainland pack did shine to a certain extent in the line-outs, but they fell away in the second half. The Islanders were definitely on top. The Island three threw away quite a few certain scores when they ran across field, and generally managed to lose ground.

In the island side the three outstanding men were Walcott, and Reintjes, and Barker, borrowed players, and Barker, who showed more spirit than all the others put together, and who had an excellent game.

Sharp opened the scoring for the Islanders when he cut through on his own after four minutes to score under the posts. Clements converted, 5-0.

Then it was Mainland's turn and a nice run by King took the ball almost to the Island line, and Arthur gathered a loose ball and scored, 5-3.

Four minutes before half time Island were awarded a penalty but missed the conversion. However, the Mainland full back, fumbled and the Island forwards with Walcott went to the fore, got to the ball as it crossed the line and Walcott touched down. The conversion was missed, 8-3.

Two minutes later Thomas took the ball down the wing for a terrific fifty yards for a try, and then as the ball bounced nicely, gathered and scored. Sharp converted, 13-3.

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## THE GAMBOLS

by Barry Appleby

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## SCIENCE &amp; ENGINEERING

WOOD WOOL CUTS  
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**KEEP costs down! This is the ever recurring cry of those who want to build in Hongkong today. By using wood wool building materials and a most modern method of construction, costs can be cut!**

Most of us know the fine wood shavings commonly used for packing glassware and similar fragile materials. This is wood wool. It is the waste of a continuous mechanical process to a predetermined form and emerges as slabs, blocks, and "sandwiches," ready to use in building. One of Hongkong's newer industries is the manufacture, under licence from the original patentees, of wood wool building materials.

Manufacture is done to British Standard Specifications—B.5, 1105, 1943/51. In most enlightened countries of the world the material has been used for over thirty years.

As made in Hongkong, a wood wool building slab, known by the name "Cellocrete," measures 80" x 20", or 1111 square feet, and thicknesses of 1/2", 1", 2", 3". One cubic foot weighs about 23 lbs. Normal brickwork is 105 lbs.

The structural strength of wood wool building slabs is such that two and three inch will support a uniformly distributed load of 210 lbs and 245 lbs respectively per square foot, on a 24 inch span.

On a 16 inch span, two inch slabs will support 150 lbs per square foot. Tests have proved this. It was tested by a well-known university for IMPACT resistance.

With a topping of Portland Cement (one inch) properly applied and cured, a two inch slab showed no cracking of cement or loosening of the board when subjected to 20,000 blows of 600 lbs per square inch, concentrated at one point.

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A WALL built of three inch wood wool slabs has greater insulating properties than a 36 inch brick wall. In Thermal insulation it is from nine to ten times greater than normal brickwork. Simply put, a two inch wood wool has the same Thermal insulation as a twenty inch solid brick wall. It insulates against heat, cold, damp, and prevents condensation on the interior surfaces of buildings. Here is an answer to Hongkong's sweaty summer walls! Sound is absorbed and exterior noise deadened by it.

In the middle range of frequencies tests have shown a sound coefficient of 0.90. At a frequency of 512 cycles, a two inch wood wool partition wall showed the percentage of transmitted sound as only 0.18%, which is less than 1/5 of 1%.

In all countries where wood wool building slabs are used, its excellent fire-resisting qualities are recognised. It has withstood fire tests, temperatures of 1,700 degrees Fahrenheit for one hour without burning into flame or giving off noxious fumes.

Experiments in tropical countries have shown it to be impervious to termites, vermin, and fungi.

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IN the manufacturing process, the chemical treatment of the wood wool fibres completely petrifies the vegetable matter and makes it unattractive to termites and vermin. Even the toughest termite is not interested in what is virtually a slab of stone! Throughout its long and endless life, this petrification process continues and becomes more and more complete. Consequently, the material is ageless.

Brickwork deteriorates. Wood wool materials do not. This has been proved by tests made on old buildings in which it has been used.

It forms an ideal plaster base. Because of its light weight, it is easily handled. Specifically, it can be used for building internal and external walls, partitions, floors, roofs, ceilings, insulation in air-conditioning ducts and systems, etc.

By using a four to eight inch concrete core, an external wall can be built with wood wool hollow blocks.

The top three storeys of any high building require only a four and a half inch core. Two and three inch slabs make ideal partitions. One inch hollow floor tiles the long spaces, and

two inch with thin reinforced concrete for short spans. For factory roofing, two inch slabs on steel or wooden truss will give a strong and excellent Thermal insulated roof.

There is practically nothing which cannot be built with wood wool slabs, blocks, and "sandwiches."

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THE "sandwich" construction method of building multi-storey and "skyscraper" buildings is a definite and decisive advance in the technical and economic development in construction of such buildings. This method was invented in Austria, in which country architects and construction engineers are more modern and advanced in design and construction methods.

Simply explained, this method uses wood wool slabs comprising two one inch slabs joined together by wired cement spacers, thus producing a "sandwich" form.

In building, "sandwiches" are filled with concrete and the wall built up. Note the simplicity!

The building in the picture was built at Innsbruck, Austria, by this method. It is ten storeys high, and about 98½ feet. The ground floor contains shops, a cafeteria, and terrace. The nine upper floors contain a total of 36 flats, each floor

having one four room, one three room, one two and a half room, and one two room flat, with smaller rooms and balconies. There is also an elevator and central shaft for refuse disposal.

How do wood wool slabs cut building costs? By their saving in the field of economy, brought about by reduction in overall costs—always a major headache in planning, designing, and estimating a new building.

Because of its efficiency and adaptability, labour costs are cut considerably.

One simple example should suffice.

Two men can lay a wood wool slab measuring 11.11 square feet in one single operation.

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It would take a skilled mason and his assistant over two hours of uninterrupted work to lay a half brick wall of about the same area. Then they would require coolies to carry their bricks and "lime out" to mix their mortar. In comparison with normal brick building, it is possible by using wood wool materials to cut labour costs alone by about 75%. Add to this the saving in steel, concrete, wood, as used in conventional methods, a further saving of about 80% can be made in these materials. That is how wood wool building materials cut costs.



Ten storey building built at Innsbruck, Austria.

## HYDRAULIC PLATFORMS

What have been described by users as "substantial" savings in time and labour over conventional access equipment such as scaffolding and hoists, have been reported by Simon Engineering (Midlands) Ltd., Queen's Cross, Dudley, Worcestershire, England, the makers of the 40-foot (12 metres) Simon Hydraulic Platform.

The same company also announces that a smaller version of the Platform is now in full production.

This new model has been designed in response to the need for a machine capable of working at heights in confined spaces, particularly in factories where the floors may be congested. It extends to 30 feet (9.1 metres) high and revolves in a diameter of 31 feet (9.4 metres), with the same full range of intermediate movements as the larger machine.

Mounted on a small electrically-powered industrial truck, the 30-foot platform is stated to be easily manoeuvrable down narrow gangways and among plant and equipment.

The makers point out, however, that other types of mounting are readily available.

The 30-foot platform will lift up to 500 pounds (227 kilograms), approximately one-third less than the larger machine.

Reverse-Circulation  
Well-Drilling Rig

**DESIGNED** specially to help in overcoming the water supply problems of remote villages, a rig for drilling large diameter holes has been developed by Niels Matheson and Company, Ltd, and is being marketed by Argelane Ltd, Gralane House, 16, Catherine Place, London, SW1.

Known as the 30/50 Hydro Rig, it is used in conjunction with the Reverse Circulation system.

In this system, the formation of strata is penetrated by a slowly rotating scraper or other type of drill attached to a column of large diameter drill pipe.

The cuttings are sucked up this drill pipe by a suction pump, delivering into an open pit filled with water where the drilling cuttings and suspended matter are allowed to settle. From this pit, clean water is allowed to flow gently into the annular space between the drill pipe and the wall of the hole. Thus a hydrostatic pressure greater than that of the natural water table is maintained against the walls of the hole and prevents the formation from collapsing.

Moreover, in sand formations, stability is further assisted by a flow from the hole through the pores of the formation.

Besides its connection with the Reverse Circulation system, the 30/50 Hydro Rig is claimed to be notable for its cheapness, reliability and mobility. Weighing only five tons, it can be towed by a Fordson tractor, which also provides the power for driving all services on the rig, yet it is stated to be capable of drilling up to 60-inch (1.5 metres) diameter holes to a depth of 600 feet (182 metres) by reverse circulation.

Water Storage  
Situation

The Colony's reservoirs lost 40 million gallons of water over the weekend. The total amount of water in store at 8 o'clock this morning was 4,381 million gallons.

Consumption during the two days amounted to 71 million gallons and the intake from streams and catchment areas was 31 million gallons.

The following are the Water Authority's figures for the weekend:

Sunday, at 8 a.m.—total storage, 4,384 million gallons, consumption 35 million gallons, yield 18 million gallons—a loss of 17 million gallons.

Monday, at 8 a.m.—total storage, 4,301 million gallons, consumption 36 million gallons, yield 13 million gallons—a loss of 23 million gallons.

No rainfall was registered by the Water Authority in the past two days.

## Radio, Hongkong

H.K.T. 6 p.m. Time Signal and Programme Summary; 6.55 p.m. Start Report; 7.05 p.m. Songs of the South Seas; 7.15 p.m. Hay Kinney and his Orchestra with the "Big Band" and "The World of Progress". A new series of programmes on the Needs and Problems of the World, presented by the United Nations Radio, No. 1, 100, New York, U.S.A. (The FAO World Census of Agriculture); 7.45 p.m. Box 200; 8.00 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 8.15 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 8.30 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 8.45 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 9.00 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 9.15 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 9.30 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 9.45 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 10.00 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 10.15 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 10.30 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 10.45 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 11.00 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 11.15 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 11.30 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 11.45 p.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer; 12.00 a.m. "The World of Progress" presented by Allen Dwyer.

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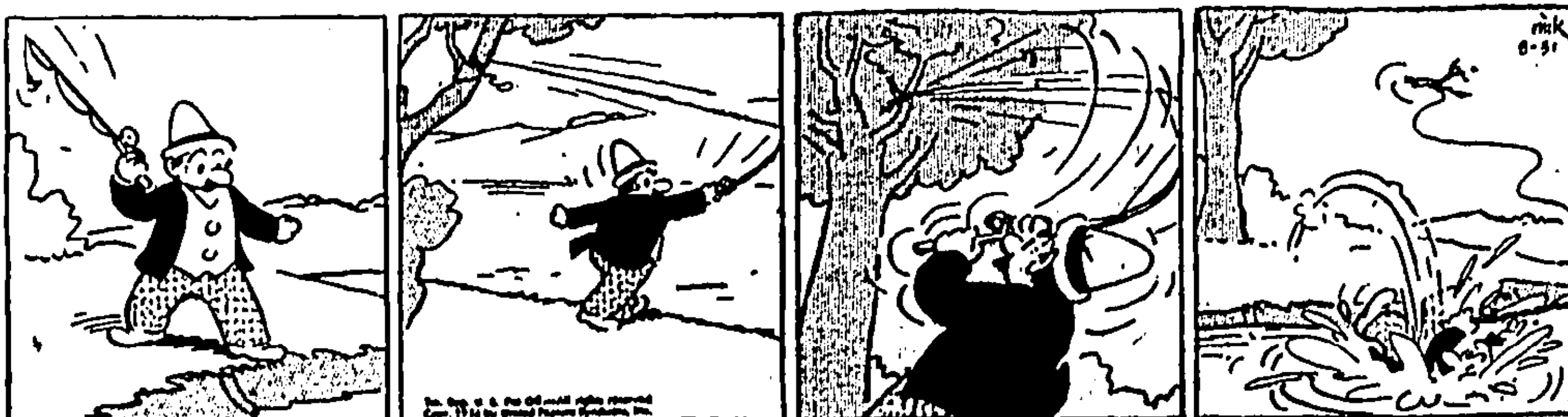
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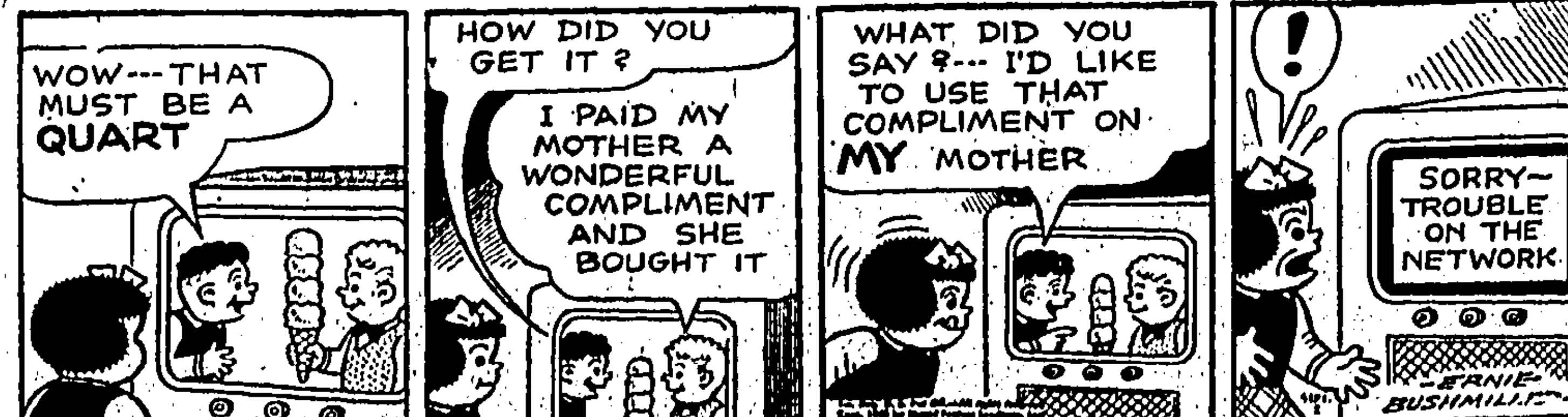
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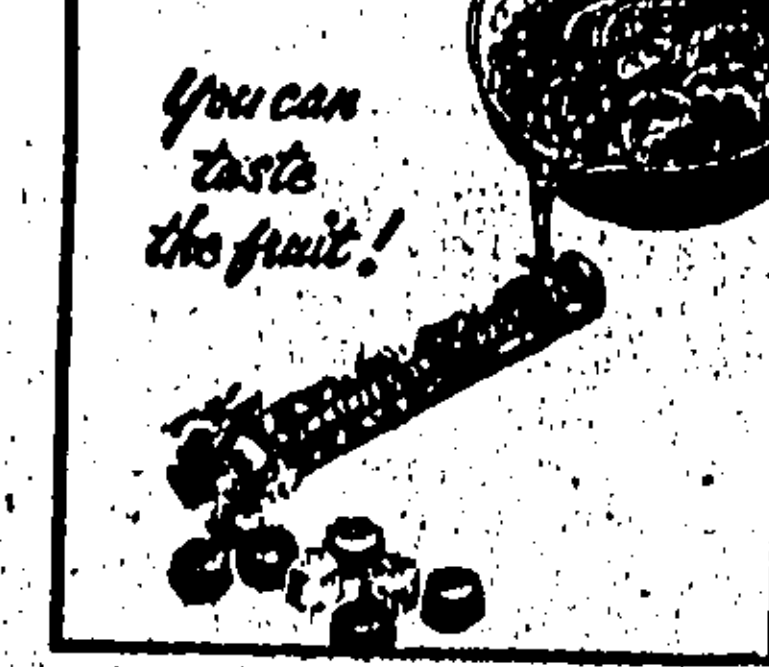
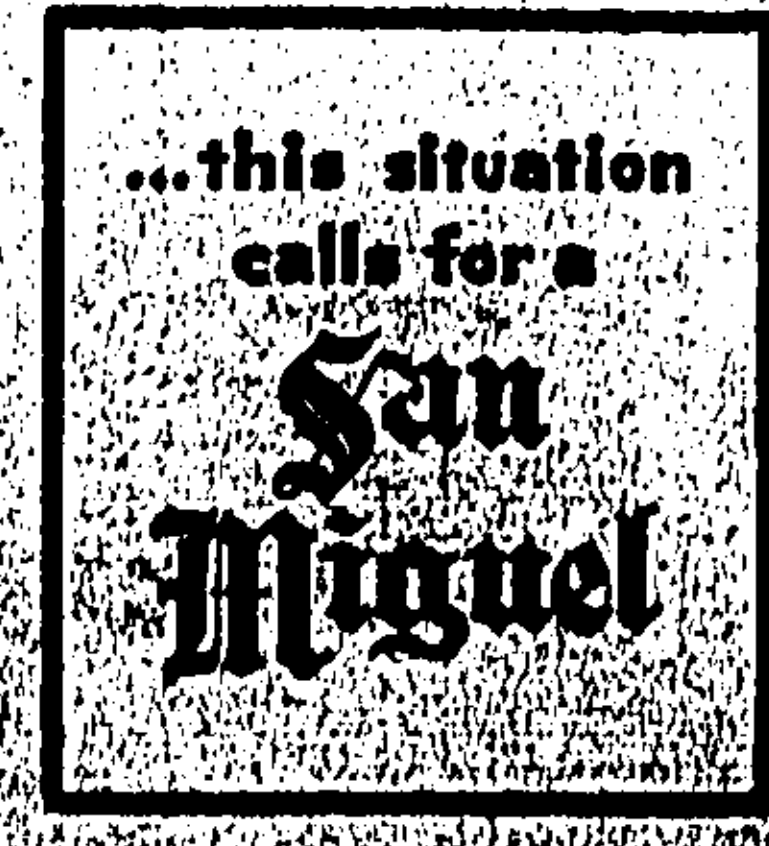


## JOHNNY HAZARD

By Frank Robbins



## ROWNTREES

...this situation  
calls for a  
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## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

Argentina  
Out Of Grain  
Business

Buenos Aires Oct. 28. The Government took another step to get out of the grain business yesterday by setting up an independent grain authority to regulate the trade and which will take over the assets of the old official marketing organization.

A nine-man board which will include representatives of the farmers, farm co-operatives, industry and commerce will have powers to advise the government on the setting of floor prices for producers and may exercise in the market when necessary to maintain these prices.

The board will also set up marketing standards for both the home and foreign trade. It will be consulted when international agreements are being signed. It will advise government officials on taxation and farm credit policies.

The board will be financed by an impost of up to two per cent of the export price of grain up to one per cent on cereals delivered to local mills. It will take over and operate the huge official chain of stores, underground chambers, buildings, etc.—United Press.

New York Cotton  
Futures Lower

By WILLIAM T. PLUNKETT

New York, Oct. 28.

Cotton futures drifted irregularly lower on a diminishing volume of business for the third week in a row.

At Friday's close the list ruled 4 to 22 points—20 cents to \$1.10 a bale lower than the preceding week.

A gradually slackening volume of trade reflected the lack of fresh factors in the news having an immediate market bearing. Exporters thought the heavy loan impoundings, expanding exports and other recently cited bullish influences may have been discounted for the time being.

Persistent spot house selling in the December delivery down to the 33½ cent level the nearby month. New crop deliveries felt the weight of liquidation through commission houses and other interests while trade buyers paused for a new look at the picture.

Foreign political news excited a belief that eventual developments there might result in a broadening outlet for some of our surplus cotton. The question of how long the government will continue its export sales programme for raw cotton also came in for discussion. Out of the original goal of 5,000,000 bales, which

## U.S. Economy Holds Up

HEAVY CONSUMER BUYING  
AND BUSINESS SPENDING

By JOHN MORKA

New York, Oct. 28.

The US economy moved strongly into the final two months of 1956. Helped by heavy consumer buying and business spending for plant expansion and improvements, business continues to move at a gait a bit more slowly than in 1955.

Steel output is vigorous, with orders coming in more and more. And no relief is in sight, according to steelmakers. The auto industry is showing new life, again with the 1957 models which are now being shown all over the country. And American retailers are looking ahead to another peak Christmas season. Many expect an advance this year of about 7.5 billion over last year. Jobs are plentiful.

Confidence is widespread.

About the only elements of doubt these days revolve around the outcome of the approaching presidential election and inflationary pressures in the economy.

## Tight Money

The question of tight money, higher interest rates and an almost irresistible inflation came under the close scrutiny of American bankers at their annual convention in Los Angeles last week. Some 8,000 members of the American Bankers Association were strongly agreed that the No. 1 problem facing the nation today was inflation.

The A. B. A. adopted a resolution endorsing the Federal Reserve System's policy of credit restraints. The Association urged a supplementary effort by banks generally via a check on all loan applications. The bankers heard assurances that the immediate credit needs of the nation were being met by current available credit.

Some bankers predict a continuing tight money market in the United States, envisioning a let-up credit demand in the near future. Others held out the possibility that interest rates—now at their 20-year highs—might be heading for another rise. Mr. W. Randolph Burgess, Under-Secretary of the Treasury, defending the Government's anti-inflation moves over the past several months, insisted other countries had a big stake in the U.S. efforts to deal with inflation. He defended the policy of tight money credit brakes.

## Tough Going

The motor industry is showing more optimism than some months ago. Some industry leaders are hopeful that business next year could reach as high as the record levels of 1955, when deliveries totalled nearly 7.2 million cars. This year's total will probably be in

the neighbourhood of six million. Anybody viewing the 1957 models are believing that the business in sales may have a chance to pick up 50 per cent greater than a year ago. Sales now are brisk, and dealers are reporting price firmness so far. The industry spent almost \$1,000,000,000 for retooling this year.

The motor industry found the going a bit tough during the past year—particularly so in the third quarter. Two of America's giant firms—Ford and General Motors—together in the first nine months of this year showed a decline of US\$44 million in net income from year-ago levels. Higher costs and reduced sales were advanced as the principal reasons for the fall-off. Now the industry—with its inventory backlog of unsold cars at manageable levels—is looking forward to a profitable year.

## Oil Industry

Big Steel Company earnings reports will be forthcoming shortly and financial circles are bracing themselves for a poor showing. Third quarter reports will probably reflect the loss of business stemming from the five-week steel strike early this summer. The steel strike hit the whole industry, punched holes in earnings of railroads and upset schedules of many other companies. One good thing—it helped cut down inventories of steel, so that from here on in steel some mills are expected to operate at well over 100 per cent levels, with demand continuing heavy well over 1957. The oil industry so far reflects the big inroads to be made. Youngstown Sheet and Tube, for example, had third quarter earnings of 99 cents a share, compared with \$3.33 a share a year ago. Crucible Steel's third quarter showed net profit of 28 cents a share against \$1.52.

The oil industry, in sharp contrast, is rolling up new profits, sales, and generally doing better than expected. Gulf Oil Corp., for example, reported a 42 per cent gain over a year earlier, gains that remained in the stock market, despite some strong spots. This market indecision is attributed to concern over the Nov. 6 presidential elections. Meanwhile, Eisenhower's personal campaign is believed to have improved the position of the Republican Party. The market will reflect this development, it's felt.

## Import Duty

A presidential victory by Eisenhower is generally viewed as bullish.

On the trade front, The Tariff Commission recommended to President Eisenhower on Wednesday that duties on imported cotton and textile fabrics be sharply increased.

The Commission reported unanimously that such fabrics are being imported "in such increased quantities as to cause serious injury to the domestic industry."

The report said that plain-back velveteens are now subject to an import duty of 25 per cent of the value. The duty on twill-back velveteens is 25 per cent a square yard but not less than 22½ cent or more than 30 per cent of the value.

The Commission, with one dissent, recommended that the duties be increased to 40 per cent of the value on plain-back and to 50½ per cent on twill-back.

American producers hailed the Commission's findings. The finding directed mainly at Japan and Italian imports, were made after hearings under the "escape clause" provisions of trade agreements.

## Less Than Expected

Imports of velveteens, on the other hand, were strongly critical of the suggested tariff boost, with some fearing that foreign velveteens might be priced out of the American market if the boost is finally approved by President Eisenhower. Some were hopeful that the President would veto the recommendation.

John Thomson, Vice-President of Crompton-Richmond Co., described the Commission's findings as a compromise, and "less than we expected."—United Press.

The Bank Of France  
Statement

Paris, Oct. 28. The Bank of France statement for the week ended Oct. 18, reads as follows:

Total gold holdings	301,204,322.428
Total other currencies	15,910,344.340
Sight balances abroad	91,250,500,000
In EPU	128,300,000,000
Admission to Stabilization Fund	1,640,208,771.428
Total bills discounted	1,640,208,771.428
Barter sales in circulation	2,020,706,569.210
Current accounts and deposits	153,806,128,625

—United Press.

The Bank Of England  
Statement

London, Oct. 28. The Bank of England statement for the week ended Oct. 24, reads as follows:

Note in circulation	1,874,211,042
Public deposits	11,431,403
Private deposits	314,221,023
Government securities	224,425,652
Other securities	30,220,532
Receipts	53,220,692
Payments	10.3

—United Press.

U.S. RAW COTTON  
EXPORTS

New York, Oct. 28. Raw cotton exports by destination as reported in sales by the New York Cotton Exchange for the 1956-57 season to Oct. 23 were as follows:

Britain	130,706
Continental	405,833
Orient	311,210
Japan	46,379
Total for season*	993,247
Same period last year*	349,245

\*excluding linters.—United Press.

## NAMESAKES

Answer:—1. Darlington, 2. Fishplate, 3. Stockton, 4. Railway, 5. Goods, 6. Rocket, 7. Steam, 8. Locomotive, 9. Power, 10. Pressure, 11. Freight, 12. Engineer, 13. Lines, 14. Tubes, 15. Colliery, 16. Newcastle.

George Stephenson.

HONGKONG  
STOCK  
EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$300,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
HONGKONG	1016	1030	72 at 1025

BANKS

HIC Bank	1016	1030	72 at 1025
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INSURANCES

Lombard	900		38 at 1000
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SHIPPING

Whealocks	XALL	710
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DOCKS, ETC.

Dock	1016	1030	72 at 1025
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LAND, ETC.

HK Hotel	1510	1520	94½
HK Land	2000	2010	107½
HK Hotels	1016	1030	72 at 1025

RUBBER

Amak	1016	1030	72 at 1025
Trust	1016	1030	72 at 1025

UTILITIES

Yamutai	1016	1030	72 at 1025
C. Light (O)	24½	24½	33½ at 24.80
C. Light (N)	23½	24½	33½ at 24.80
Electric	31½	32	308 at 31½
Telephone	24½	25	103 at 24.80
(N)	25½		

INDUSTRIALS

Cement	37½		100 at 30
Rope	13½		

STORES, ETC.

Dairy	1016	1030	72 at 1025
Watson	1310	1315	

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per \$1)	0.16
Sterling notes (per £1)	10.12
Australian notes (per £1)	10.12
Indian rupee (per 100)	18.40
Siamese tical (per 100)	27.40
Singapore (Straits)	1.00

Indications were that the steel companies will soon ask for higher steel prices. Railroads are seeking higher freight rates and it was reported they may make still another request for additional advances.

The automobile companies issued reports for their third quarter dividends. They were even poorer than had been anticipated.

The motors turned down for a time but came on Friday. General Motors and Chrysler each gained the minimum fraction on the week.

Among the wide gainers: American Hawaiian Steamship closed the week with an advance of 7½. Barber Oil 41½. Joy Manufacturing 4½. Newrich Pharmaceutical 3½. J. C. Perry ¾. Sommers Saw 3½, and Schwering Corp. 3½.

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WALL STREET  
CLOSED HIGHER  
BUT IRREGULAR

By ELMER WALZER

New York, Oct. 28.

Utility stocks closed higher by a few cents last week to feature an irregular, quiet stock market.

Last week it was the rails that managed to score a small gain with the others down. Rails behaved most poorly of the major groups last week. Industrial on Friday all but wiped out a loss of 5.04 points registered in the first four sessions of the week.

Early in the week the market was influenced by approach of election, the political coup in Poland, riots in Hungary, a profit squeeze shown in the third quarter corporation reports, the tight money situation, and lower prices and a production cutback for copper.

There were some brilliant corporation reports for the first nine months, and there were some big dividend additions as well as many stock dividends.



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## JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

### THE OPTIMIST

DENNIS is a slim, dark Irishman, whose rather glum expression conceals a nature far from mournful. At Bow Street, he and a friend both pleaded to a charge of being suspected persons loitering in St. James's Park with intent to steal from women's handbags.

Dennis's friend was sent to prison for three months. Dennis was remanded. For his criminal record included another conviction as a suspected person, which conviction entailed the magistrate, Mr. John Macneil, Q.C., to send Dennis to Sessions for sentence as an "incurable rogue" since the earlier conviction had been proved.

#### CHANGE OF MIND

On the day appointed, Dennis was brought back to the dock. A certificate was produced to show that in 1953 Dennis had been sent to prison for three months by Mr. Paul Bennett, Q.C., for being a suspected person.

The brief formalities were almost over, when Dennis said: "Excuse me, sir," he said. "I'd like to change my plea to one of not guilty."

#### A GOOD IDEA, BUT

"That's right, sir," said Dennis, and grinned as if he felt well pleased with the reception of his suggestion. "Listen," he went on. "Last time, when I said guilty, I was feeling terrible. Now I'm myself and I'll plead not guilty."

"No, it's a good idea, but I'm afraid you can't do that," said the magistrate.

"What? You mean I can't do it by the law?"

"Only if you could satisfy me that when you pleaded guilty you were under a misapprehension about the charge, and that was very carefully explained to you at the time."

#### YOU CAN TRY

"WHAT I'm going to do," the magistrate went on, "is send you to Sessions for sentence as what is called an incurable rogue. I hope you're not that in the ordinary sense of the word, but..."

"Och, I'm not," said Dennis with a modest smile. "Tell me, can I plead not guilty at Sessions?"

"You can try," said the magistrate, "but I don't think it will get you very far. You are therefore remanded."

"Excuse me, sir," Dennis interrupted, "but I thought they could only do you for incurable rogue if they'd done you for this twice in six months. My last was 1953."

#### ANOTHER THOUGHT

"NO, that is not so," said Mr. Macneil. "So you are remanded for sentence at London Sessions."

"This way," said the magistrate, "and for gooder, and I'll send you to London. You'll be there in about a month, and when another thought occurred to him, he asked brightly: "Could I be having bad?"

"I'm afraid not," said the magistrate.

"Ah well," sighed Dennis and he went away. Incurable rogue he may have been, but an optimistic optimist he certainly was.

#### Action Contemplated

Washington, Oct. 28. Britain and the United States are actively considering withdrawing all but senior diplomatic officials from their Budapest missions, with their dependants. It was stated here today.—Reuters.

## Major Peachey Gives Evidence This Morning

The case against Chau Chung-sung, Major Donald Peachey and Capt. Harry Curtis, on charges of corruption, resumed before Judge K. R. Macfee at the Kowloon District Court this morning, when Peachey gave evidence on his own behalf.

Previously, Judge Macfee had thrown out the six corruption charges against all the accused, but a Full Court, subsequently granted the Crown's application for orders of certiorari and mandamus, compelling him to try the case on those charges.

The corruption was allegedly in connection with construction and repair work along Route TWSK, done by the Shun Hing Construction Co., of which Chau Chung-sung was managing partner.

Mr. John Holley, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting. Mr. Patrick Yu is defending. Chau Mr. J. C. B. Slack, of Hastings and Co., is representing the two Royal Engineer officers.

#### CONTRACTS

This morning, Peachey testified that the Chief Engineer, Land Forces, made out the plans for all contracts, in which certain amounts of money were spent on the servicing of roads and improvements on water catchments.

Some contracts were done by the Wing Sang Construction Co. in the period between October 1953 and June 1954. Peachey said, according to his knowledge, the Shun Hing firm had more contracts in his area than any other contractor.

Accused said that after every contract had been fulfilled there was no cause for him to find any fault in the work done, except that the contractors were on the whole a little too slow.

Asked if anybody reprimanded him in connection with the quality of road servicing, Peachey replied, "Certainly no."

Accused said the number of times he visited the work areas was on his own discretion and was not fixed. Sometimes it was three or four times a week, and sometimes once a week.

Hearing is proceeding.

## Exhibited Indecent Film

Sentence on two Chinese involved in an indecent film case was deferred to tomorrow for inspection of the film by the magistrate. Both defendants pleaded guilty when they appeared before Mr. F. K. D'Almeida at Central this morning.

The first defendant, Lee Koo-sung, 28, proprietor of the Fortuna Studio, 48B Leekhard Road, first floor, was charged with exposing to public view an indecent film exhibition, carrying on a public entertainment.

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## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"You're a big help at these parent-teacher meetings—I know Junior's teachers were happy to learn his father became a success but can't spell!"

## Asks For Bigger Sentence

An earth coolie who pleaded guilty at the Victoria District Court this morning to wounding a fellow worker asked Judge James Wicks to change the sentence of six months to that of one year "as a self-lesson."

"That is a matter for me to decide," His Honour told Ng Kwok-wah, alias Ng Wah, in refusing his request.

Ng admitted unlawfully wounding Yau For with a hammer at Stanley on September 24. He denied an alternative charge of wounding with intent to cause grievous bodily harm. The prosecution accepted this.

Inspector J. H. Hidden told the court that the attack took place in a valley below Chung Am Kok Road at Stanley. The two men worked at the same building sites and were on friendly terms.

Some three days before the incident, accused introduced a 16-year-old girl, Ng Yee-ha, to complainant. The following day, the girl ran away from her home after having been scolded by her mother for returning home late.

#### HAD A TALK

On September 24, Inspector Hidden said, accused and complainant met at a bus stop at Stanley. They went down to a valley below the road and had a talk. In the course of the

conversation, accused repeatedly asked complainant to take the girl to the house of her aunt. Complainant then told accused how he had had an affair with a married woman some time before and had made her pregnant. Accused picked up a hammer and began striking him with it. He also picked up two rocks and struck complainant.

You shouted for help. A gardener came on the scene and stopped the struggle. Accused was arrested. Complainant was later found to have several lacerations on the head and a depressed fracture, and was operated on.

Complainant was in hospital for 11 days. Accused received minor injuries on the legs and arms. He was treated in hospital, but not detained.

Inspector Hidden said that in a statement to the Police, accused said complainant had brought him the girl was waiting for him at the Lee Theatre. After questioning the accused, the complainant and the girl, Judge Wicks said it appeared to him that there had been a great deal of provocation on the part of complainant, and he would take this into account in passing sentence. Also, accused had a clean record.

He proceeded to outline the evidence relating to the actions of the accused and his wife on the previous night.

At 5 a.m. on July 31, the accused was duly called. Medical evidence suggested that his wife was already dead at that time.

At 5 a.m. the accused went to the door when he was called by his wife. He opened the door a little, and then closed it again.

The accused was next seen leaving the Apartments at about 7 a.m. He had with him his young son and he was carrying a bag.

He was next seen fairly close to the Apartments at 7.25 a.m. by a Mr. Peck. The Pecks were friends of the accused and his wife. Mrs. Peck and Mr. Shepherd knew each other well and used to help each other out. The accused met Mr. Peck in the vicinity of Observatory Road and asked whether Mr. Peck's wife would look after his son because his wife had gone to hospital with a neighbour. Mr. Peck said "Yes."

He noticed the accused was carrying something. The next evidence was that of Mrs. Peck, who saw the accused at her house shortly afterwards. She was told the same story by the accused, that his wife had gone to hospital with a neighbour who was sick. She asked whether Mrs. Shepherd was all right and the accused said "Yes."

At 10.50 a.m. on July 31, the body of Mrs. Shepherd was found bled into a wardrobe inside Room 309. She was dead, said Mr. Mayne.

He continued that the door of the wardrobe was shut tight by paper wedged in. Mrs. Shepherd was dressed in night clothes.

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## SOLDIER STANDS TRIAL ON CHARGE OF MURDERING HIS WIFE

A statement by Pte Raymond Frederick Shepherd admitting he killed his wife was read to the jury at Shepherd's trial for murder which began this morning before Mr Justice T. J. Gould at the Criminal Sessions.

The 26-year-old soldier of the Army Catering Corps told the Police that his wife, Irene May, 24, died at approximately 6 a.m. on July 31, adding "I know that because I killed her."

The Defence did not object to this statement being read to the jury of six men and a woman, in the Crown's opening.

The accused, Shepherd, is alleged to have strangled his wife in their room at 309 Melbourne Apartments.

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RELATIONSHIP

Mr. Mayne continued: "We have evidence relating to the general relationship between these two persons, the accused and the deceased. I think the evidence shows that what might be called a normal relationship appeared to exist between the two. They appeared to be reasonably happy. There appeared to be some shortage of money, but it was nothing very serious, and short of money seems to be quite common in Hongkong. And you will find that it was of no consequence as far as this case is concerned."

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Mr. Mayne said that medical evidence was that Mrs. Shepherd died at about 4 a.m. on July 31.

He proceeded to outline the evidence relating to the actions of the accused and his wife on the previous night.

At 5 a.m. on July 31, the accused was duly called. Medical evidence suggested that his wife was already dead at that time.

At 5 a.m. the accused went to the door when he was called by his wife. He opened the door a little, and then closed it again.

The accused was next seen leaving the Apartments at about 7 a.m. He had with him his young son and he was carrying a bag.

He was next seen fairly close to the Apartments at 7.25 a.m. by a Mr. Peck. The Pecks were friends of the accused and his wife. Mrs. Peck and Mr. Shepherd knew each other well and used to help each other out. The accused met Mr. Peck in the vicinity of Observatory Road and asked whether Mr. Peck's wife would look after his son because his wife had gone to hospital with a neighbour. Mr. Peck said "Yes."

He noticed the accused was carrying something. The next evidence was that of Mrs. Peck, who saw the accused at her house shortly afterwards. She was told the same story by the accused, that his wife had gone to hospital with a neighbour who was sick. She asked whether Mrs. Shepherd was all right and the accused said "Yes."

At 10.50 a.m. on July 31, the body of Mrs. Shepherd was found bled into a wardrobe inside Room 309. She was dead, said Mr. Mayne.

He continued that the door of the wardrobe was shut tight by paper wedged in. Mrs. Shepherd was dressed in night clothes.

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Later the accused was seen again by Mr. Peck, but he was not carrying anything. The reason was that he had gone about 8.30 a.m. to a pawnshop in Cameron Road and pawned a bag and a quantity of ladies' clothing for \$15.

Having got this money the accused appeared to have gone to the Sportman's Arms at about 8.45 a.m., continued Mr. Mayne. The accused seemed to have spent either all or most of the morning there because he was seen there at different times by different people.

Eventually he left the place and was subsequently arrested by Military Police in the vicinity of the Fleet Club. After that contact was made with the Hongkong Police and after certain statements had been obtained from the accused, he was arrested for the murder of his wife.

Mr. Mayne here asked for leave to read a statement the accused made to the Police and Mr. Wright declared that he had no objections to it being read to the jury.

At about 4.55 p.m. the accused was taken to the office of Div. Insp. Bodie at Yau-mat Station, continued Mr. Mayne. He was still in military uniform and Insp. Bodie would say that he had the appearance of a man who had been drinking, but not his eyes were red and he appeared to be somewhat agitated and worried.

STATEMENT READ

Crown Counsel read the statement which the accused made at that time. The accused said he had been in the Army for four years and in Hongkong since last September, that he was married and had two children, a boy and a girl, who were now 2 and 4 months. He gave the name of his wife and continued "I do not know where my wife is now. I last saw my wife at 6.30 a.m. approximately. I know I killed her because I had a knife in my hand. At this point the accused was cautioned, said Mr. Mayne, and after that the accused was asked to sign a statement. Further until he had legal advice. The jury "On the face of that you can have no doubt whatever that the accused killed his wife